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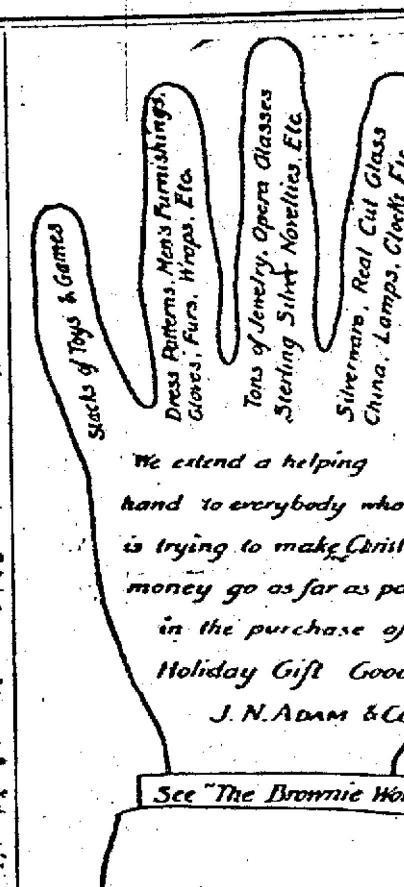
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I am naughty, it's a story.
Just say if he whips me I'll
Die and go to kingdom glory."

A MARRIAGE OF AMBITION.

BY VIOLA ROSEBORO.

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I was once, as the phrase goes, on the stage, and part of my experience in the theatrical profession was gained as leading lady of a traveling company. During the nine months spent on the road with this organization it was my good fortune to form a friendship with one of the other members (thanks to her great kindness to me from the start), and at the end of the season—but first let me give some account of matters that preceded that blessed date.

In the play my friend took the part of the "unfortunate" young woman, and though it may appear to be neither here nor there as to my story I have an interest in recording that she acted remarkably well, on the whole, giving her part in a manner most unlike her own personality, though she gave it the same childlikeness that inhered in all her aspects. Her personality was, in truth, as little suited to the demands of this particular part as well could be, for it told, speaking loudly, too, of a sunny, sweet common sense that is apt to forbid self made misfortunes.

The company was made up chiefly of actors of long standing, genuine stage people, as they would have said, people who had been born and bred to the "show business." I, as a comparative novice (an outsider, they called me), met in the beginning a ready made unpopularity. On that first day I furnished occasion for a little display of the ill feeling that awaited me by unwittingly giving offense to my stage husband in the rehearsal of a very tender scene. After it was over I turned to this gentleman with some idle but civil remark and was met by a stony stare as he turned silently away. I next saw the old woman talking to the old comedian and tossing her head toward me with a malevolent countenance, and presently the stage manager, in accents of bitterness, requested me to move out of the way—this when I was not in the way. The whole business of the stage was still desperately strange and in some ways painful to me at best. This sudden accession of hatred made me feel as if I were cast away upon some distant and worse than unpeopled planet.

While I sat apart upon some property rocks in all the blackness of youthful desolation, a desolation that the strange gloom of the great place, heightened by flares of orange gaslight and wan gleams

"LOOKING DOWN UPON ME."

from the white day outside, seemed to make more eerie and hopeless, I raised my eyes to find Maggie Linton standing looking down upon me from her scant five feet, both hands in her jacket pockets, and—in the teeth of public sentiment—a friendly smile in her merry, dark eyes.

"Just saw a cross eyed messenger boy come in," she began, by way of making conversation. "Bet he queers the show; bet we change some people before we start out. They better get rid of that Leroy anyhow. He's a Jonah. He was in a company I was season before last, and we bust up in Oshkosh. Who were you with last season?" Maggie queried, seating herself beside me as I made room for her on the stuffed rocks.

This was a tactful if insincere assumption that I was in good and regular theatrical standing. I replied that I was still at the beginning of professional life and told her of the engagements that constituted my whole theatrical experience. They had been, by the way, played under unusual and unusually pleasant circumstances.

"You're green," said Maggie, nodding her head conclusively and lapsing into candor. "Guess you don't know much about sure enough show folks. Bet you don't know what made 'em all mad at you this morning. Well, you see, you kept crawling up stage a little, even after Payson told you about it once. I know you just weren't thinking, but Leroy got on his ear because he said you were trying to make him turn his back to the house; that that was your style. Naw," she went on, in response to a mild suggestion of my own, "that's so! First rehearsal it don't matter a pin, but you see they were all ready and waiting to jump on you, because they thought you were an outsider. Besides leading men are always awful touchy."

I mildly proposed that I should apologize.

"Don't you go and do anything of the sort. You just let 'em think you did it a-purpose if they want to. They'll think you're smarter than you are and think more of you too. Just you take care you don't get put down stage yourself when the first night comes. They'll try to put on you for awhile, but they're all right when you get to know 'em—least, most of 'em are. Old Payson'll be nice to you right along. You've got one of your big scenes with him, and he's more of an actor than anybody else in this company. He and my father played together with Forrest—hello, Jim!" She interrupted herself to throw this salutation pleasantly and laconically to a small, clean shaven, ugly young man. "That's Jim Bowman," she explained. "He plays the low comedy. It's a pretty good little part, and I guess he'll do it pretty good. He's an old timer—was with Jefferson once—but I think," Maggie hastened politely to add, "that some outsiders do awful well. If they're any account, they don't let down salaries any more than real professionals. If they're duffers, they won't stand much in anybody's way anyhow. That's how I look at it. I think it's mean to come down on you because you're an amateur. Beats me, though, why you want to go on the stage. I hate it. Stagestruck!" Maggie asked this as simply as if she were saying "Earache!" and with a kindred inflection of commiseration.

I wanted to find out why she hated the stage—the whole subject was fraught with interest for me—but Maggie was not analytical. She would only say that she wanted to live like other folks. She liked outsiders. She remarked that she'd like to live as it [illegible], only she'd want to go to the theater. It appeared that her hatred of the stage did not include any dislike of the histrionic art. On the contrary, as I subsequently had plenty of opportunity to observe, her notion of pleasure was typical of her class. She asked nothing better than to see any kind of a theatrical performance from "the front of the house."

"JIM'S REAL NAME'S FLANNIGAN."

Maggie's friendship and patronage (for she, too, you see, in her way felt with the rest that I was an object for patronage) were invaluable to me. She taught me various things, from the packing of a trunk to the best ways of managing the manager, and her helpful friendliness and miraculously fresh, honest good nature were to me in those days a boon like water to the parched. As she was very popular in the company, she soon helped to soften my unpopularity. Altogether she made that year's experience endurable.

In the course of time I learned a good deal of her family history from herself and from other people. It seemed that kinspeople of hers had frequently acquitted themselves creditably, and more than creditably, in the rank and file of their profession and had added a little to the world's good art without burdening it with the fame of another artist—a most respect provoking record so far. Yet the family biography was in other ways of a highly commonplace, theatrical complexion and included many more marriages to the individual than happily ordinary history furnishes.

It was not, however, from the gossip of the company that I learned the interesting fact that Maggie had, in one of the company's members, a suitor for her hand in marriage.

One day on the cars Maggie herself told me that Jim Bowman wished to marry her, and she added: "He ain't ever been married at all, not to anybody. I've been in companies with him off and on four or five years, and I know people that have known him ever since he went on the stage—when he wasn't much more than a kid."

I saw that Maggie regarded Mr. Bowman's singular record with satisfaction, yet she announced that she would not listen to him. Our talk was interrupted, but when next I saw her alone I asked how she could be so cruel to such a lover. Maggie was sitting before a coal fire in my room in a hotel in Memphis. I remember the afternoon well for more reasons than one. It was the last time I was comfortable, decently housed and fed and warmed, all at once, for many a weary day. Maggie was in a rocking chair and rocking steadily. Now she took the poker, and still rocking made thrusts as she swung forward at a big, blazing lump of soft coal. When it split and blazed again, she set the poker in its place, put one foot under her and said:

"Well, I'll tell you. I'm not going ever to marry an actor, and Jim don't know any other way to get a living. You see, I'm not going to get married but once. I've made up my mind 'bout that. I'm not saying anything 'gainst stage people. My father played with Forrest in his whole repertory, and my sister Kate is the best heavy lead in the legitimate on the road. The whole profession says so. She's got a backer now that'll likely star her next year, but"—Maggie paused, took her foot from under her, nursed her knee and stared into the fire—"I don't care about being on the stage myself. I know I'd like it better off. I don't like to act much, though I've got good notices every time I had a show, too. They said I was the best Marrianne they'd had in the 'Two Orphans' in a long time. They all did. But I don't care much about it. Kate says she thinks it's awful strange. She loves to act. Then look at the people you see that are perfectly stage drunk, spout Hamlet and Juliet and things all the time, but they can hardly ever act a little bit. I don't see why any one likes it so—stirring themselves all up about things that never happened. I like seeing it, but stirring yourself up's different somehow. I don't know why, but seeing other people act don't make me feel the same sort of sick way after. It's different. I like comedy parts best, but I hardly ever get 'em. I hate feeling a lot of queer ways. I never would myself. I'd never get myself into such fool boxes."

Maggie, with a sidewise glance at me, looked her contempt for the weakminded heroines she habitually embodied. Before she left me she warned me to keep the secret of Jim's suit.

"Does no one in the company guess?" I asked.

"Naw!" said Maggie, practicing a piece of Lottalike gymnastics across the back of a chair. "Jim knows I'd never speak to him again if he went and gave himself away and got them all cackling about me. I couldn't stand it. I've never been talked about in any company I've been in yet, though, of course, they may start up any time, just for nothing at all, but I've been lucky. I don't think myself any better than anybody else. It's not that." Maggie succeeded now in balancing herself steadily in a horizontal position on her small back, after which, bringing her feet down to the floor, she stood an instant with downcast eyes and her head thrown reflectively to one side. Then she shook it slowly and repeated: "No-p. I'm only going to get married once, and I ain't going to put my pile on an actor. Jim's real name's Flannigan," she added over her shoulder, with her hand on the door. With this statement she departed.

So far as I know, there was no change in the position of affairs thus outlined until we came to Helena, Ark. It is far from my wish to wound the civic pride that any of its inhabitants may take in Helena, but I must now disclose the fact that it once presented to travelers an uninviting aspect. We were by this time schooled in adversity, but we found ourselves at closer quarters with starvation in Helena than ever before, and it was all so much the blacker because, of all times, we arrived on Christmas eve. Everything as we saw it was dismal, dreary, ugly—ugly to the verge of unreality, ugly as a nightmare, but we were hardened to ugliness. Christmas eve as it was, all we cared about was that we were so hungry, and we did feel that the date made our hunger more than commonly pathetic.

After a meal in which we found only one flavor—that of rancid cottonseed oil—some of us declared that the inhabitants of the land must sustain life on other terms than those offered to the wayfarer and the stranger. We set forth in a desperate search for food. Maggie and I went together, and we came home with some poor biscuit and a cake of chocolate. We were to play in Helena two nights.

It was on Christmas day that there crept about a vague rumor to the effect that some of the men had found a place where things to eat were obtainable—good things—but with this news came the intolerable information that this place was not one where ladies could go.

We, the ladies just now most afflicted by the prohibition, were gathered in the hotel parlor in excited conclave when the whole story, good news and bad, was confirmed by the company child, the property child, as her detractors called her. She had been sent forth to gather information, and her information came from the manager himself, the despot of our world, the arbiter of our fate.

"We can have something sent over from there anyhow, can't we?" wailed the soubrette. At this the leading old woman hastily waddled to the door without a word. It dashed on all in an instant what [illegible] cient traveler would get it all, all the food that was eatable in Helena—would have it brought to her room before any of the rest of us contrived to discover where it came from. Her resources for making herself comfortable were something we had measured to our cost a thousand times. There was a hurried rush after her, Maggie and I—we always fought our battles together now—rushing too.

"I'll find Jim," Maggie whispered. She was usually chary of calling upon Jim for services, but this was an occasion of magnitude. Jim, however, was not easily found, and—but why go into painful details? We got nothing to eat that afternoon. Jim returned from an exploring expedition full of information, but empty handed.

"The place," he told us, "is cleaned out." The place, it appeared, was a drinking and gambling saloon, with, as he said, a "restaurant attachment." Jim had persuaded the proprietor to promise to send us something—he would not bind himself further—but something to the theater that night.

"I don't want to eat at the theater," cried Maggie. "I want to sit down at a table and have a square meal. I want to go there and eat it."

"'Tisn't a place where ladies"—Jim began as if he were a parrot. Jim, by the way, had habitually a parrotlike manner and a wooden expression. They were his stock in trade as a comedian. I regret to say that Maggie interrupted him by telling him to "shut up." She grasped her curls an instant in scowling meditation; then, snapping her fingers, executed three steps of an original dance and cried: "I've got it. I tell you what we'll do. We'll invite Perkins himself to a Christmas supper, invite him free, gratis, for nothing. He'll be bound to go, and so he'll have to let us fill up for once. We'll share the price of him between us. He'll be cheap at the money. Come along, Jim, and help us find Perkins."

The two departed down a long ill smelling hemp carpeted hall.

Perkins was the manager. He was thought stingy, but was believed to greatly enjoy luxuries that cost him nothing. Maggie's plan was calculated to kill two birds with one stone, for attentions to Perkins were apt to smooth the path of those who offered them. Her confidence that we should get our Christmas supper was justified, for Perkins, as soon as he was invited to share it, threw over the scruples he had entertained regarding the fitness of this den of iniquity for feminine patronage. He said, as Maggie mimickingly reported, that if all the ladies of his company had the sense we had he'd have been perfectly willing from the start for them all to go and get a square meal, but that we knew as well as he that theatrical ladies were likely to be thoughtless, and that it might queer the show if the natives knew they had indulged in such a festivity.

"There is no telling what these here yokels might say about you," said the sensitive manager, "or what might get in the papers, and though that might be an 'ad.' for the time being it ain't the dodge that pays in the long run with a show that appeals to the heart and the purer feelings the way we do. No; I've got my instructions to keep this company strict, but I know you ladies, and I know you're hungry, and it's Christmas, and I'm with you at 6 sharp."

THE GAZE OF EACH BECAME FIXED.

The arrangements for our appearance at White's saloon were made, and at 6 o'clock, in the twilight, we four took our way through a muddy alley to the back entrance. In the yet more muddy yard, studded with old tin cans, that formed the last stage of our journey, we came upon the chef who was to minister to our delight. There is no irony in this statement. There he was, a genuine, grizzled, gray, old French cook, in white cap and apron, with the very look of Paris upon him. By the light of a pitch torch we beheld him standing over a dilapidated stove under an open shed in Helena, Arkansaw! He did not even look up as we passed him, and guided by a softly opening door filed into the oddest dining room that even strolling players ever saw.

It was small, but, it achieved that look of solid comfort common—even in Arkansas, it seems—to rooms furnished exclusively for and by men, and it possessed in some inscrutable way a quite unrivaled air of seclusion, remoteness. It contained a table, not a dining table, but something quite different. The men chuckled at the sight of it, with that curiously innocent glee in naughtiness so frequently seen where any innocence would be least expected. They explained—indeed I wish I could tell what they did explain, but I fear to blunder among unfamiliar technicalities. It was a real poker table, or faro table, or roulette table, or all three together. It was, in short, a piece of professional furniture, and a handsome one, too, I remember. It was covered with curious designs in inlaid woods.

Whoever opened the door for us had disappeared at once without my realizing his existence, but now a man in shirt sleeves opened another, an inner door, glanced, with the glance of authority, upon us and also disappeared.

Presently—it all seemed like the "Arabian Nights"—a negro loaded with dishes and napery came in and began to set the poker table.

Memory dwells on that meal, that little Christian Christmas meal, beginning with soup, including a salad and ending with coffee! I never expect to find another as magically delightful. It was not only to the senses that it appealed, but to our player souls. Its daintiness, order and perfection echoed a faroff civilization, for which, in our various ways, we all yearned. The conjunction of the supper and the date so softened, so deeply moved us all that there is no measuring how far the general mood had to do with calling forth and guiding the events that followed. While we were eating our salad the coatless gentleman who had before looked upon us came in. I had learned that this was White himself, the wizard to whose magic we were indebted.

White looked the man of power. He nodded slightly, accepting our greetings with Napoleonic calm and silence, and stood watching us with sphinxlike impassivity, no trace of Arkansas, or any other place but a gambling house to be seen in his compact person and clean shaven face.

Without having spoken a word White left us, and presently another, a younger man, with the air of subordination instead of authority (also in his shirt sleeves), came in, bringing a box of cigars. He passed it in silence to Perkins. After Perkins had taken one the newcomer turned to Jim Bowman.

The men's eyes met. The gaze of each became fixed, strained; then one gasped "Jim," the box clattered to the floor between them, and the two were shaking hands hard and patting each other silently, while tears brimmed in their eyes.

This pantomime seemed amazingly prolonged, as if we were all in a stupor, but at last Jim turned to Maggie and said chokingly:

"It's me brother"—he relapsed for the moment into the brogue of his childhood. "It's me brother Mike!" he repeated.

Maggie nodded with shining eyes. Then she made a comical little protesting movement with her small fist above her averted head, and a second later dropped it on the table, with a big sob. Jim, unconscious of this sympathetic demonstration, was at that moment being pushed through the inner doorway by his brother, who was [illegible]

Maggie, delivered of her sob, lifted her head again, and looking after them as the door closed wiped her eyes.

"Broke me all up," she commented as she comfortably turned to her coffee. "You better look after Jim Bowman now," she said to Perkins, "or he'll be keeping the stage waiting."

Perkins, eager enough to follow the brothers, started after them at once. "We're going on to the theater," Maggie called after him. "Tell Jim."

Perhaps I should state that there was nothing peculiar in our doing so unescorted. All the party were following, so far as general principles could be followed in this particular case, the stage's traditions of strictest propriety, surely the funniest traditions that were ever brought forth on even that difficult subject.

For a time Maggie was silent, but at last she said: "Awful funny 'bout Jim's brother, ain't it? Just like a play, Christmas and all. Broke me all up. Jim's got a good heart, hasn't he? I knew he had a brother once. He's told me some things about when he was little. They were newsboys and bootblacks and things, but he says that was after they began to get up in the world. They had it awful when they can first remember. I think the more of—of 'em both for having made something of themselves."

It did not yet seem entirely clear to me that there was reason for pride in what Jim's brother, at least, had made of himself; but, except for sympathetic murmurs, I said nothing, and Maggie talked on, evidently stirred to an uncommon interest in her subject.

"Jim says his mother was a good woman, but she was sick a lot, and then she died. Those two kids just skinned around for themselves. Mike's the oldest. Mike got himself sent up to a reformatory somewhere. Jim, he'd been suping already, and then he got a chance to go on the road, with a couple of words to speak and to help the property man, and he ain't seen his brother since. He says he hadn't learned to write much then—he can now as good as anybody. He didn't seem to think Mike was alive much. I didn't know he cared so much about him. Jim's got a big heart, I guess."

I thought it probable that Jim had discovered the depths of his fraternal affection only within the last hour, the capacity for a sudden emotional revelation of that sort at the sight of one before forgotten being highly human, or—it is the same thing—especially Irish, but I saw that Maggie was minded to regard the agitation of the meeting as evidencing rare depths in the heart that was hers, as perhaps it did.

"I'M GOING TO MARRY JIM."

That night, after the performance was over, Maggie came to my dressing room on some trumped up excuse, really for the pleasure of conversation, or, rather, for that most widely appreciated phase of it consisting in hearing oneself talk. She removed her makeup in my room, and as she vigorously rubbed her face with a towel, from time to time minutely peering at it in the looking glass, she entered upon her subject—Jim.

"No, sir," she at last concluded, breaking her sentences by moments of exclusive attention to her toilet, "I tell you I ain't going to marry but once, and I can't risk that on an actor, though Lord knows Jim ain't much like one, on the stage or off. There's your hat behind the trunk. I'll be ready in a minute," and Maggie flew back to her own room.

I naturally inferred from these fresh declarations to the contrary that her resolution not to trust herself upon the troubled sea of what we may fitly call histrionic matrimony was weakening, probably had been weakening for some time past. It is the way of such resolutions, under fire, so to speak. And I made the mistake of supposing that I should soon find her publicly recanting, which only shows how precarious a profession is prophecy in such a world as this.

The next day we left Helena, and I am happy to say I have forgotten where we went, but I remember well that Jim's brother went with us, "to finish his visit," he said. His visit was a fateful matter to Maggie and Jim. The first news I had of its results for them was comprehensive. It came from Maggie herself.

We were all at a railway station, and Jim's brother had just taken the train that was to carry him back to Helena. I was walking up and down the platform looking through the chilly air at the flat, dreary winter landscape that stretched beyond the bare, squalid little houses and the seas of mud of the foreground. Most of the company were in the stove heated, dirty waiting room. Maggie was opening trunks on the platform, trotting about, looking very taut and pretty and unmistakably the "actress" in her ulster and cap, with her handbag strapped over her shoulder. She kept staring at me with remarkably bright eyes as I passed her.

At last, having completed the transfer of something from her hotel trunk to her theater trunk, or vice versa, she came up to me, fell in to step, ran her hands into her hip pockets and said:

"The train's half an hour late. I guess I'll tell you now." Then she stopped and faced me. "I'm going to marry Jim, and I haven't had to give in either. He's going to leave the stage. Yes, sir, he is," resuming her march. "Ain't it a good thing I didn't give in before? Hurrah for cottonseed oil and the Christmas supper it drove us to, I say. I'll tell you all how it is. He and his brother are going to buy a nice little liquor business in New York on Sixth avenue. They're going to buy it together. You see, Mike understands all about it. And we won't be on the stage any more. Isn't it good!" Maggie's voice was expressive of childlike gratitude, serious and tender. "New York all the time. No more Arkansaw," she went on. "And Jim and me living together all the time, real sure enough married people!"

Before the train came Maggie told me the whole history of the transaction that gave her such satisfaction, but the most interesting part of her story was rather in the nature of a hope than of an accomplished fact.

"Mike," she was saying, "says he wants to get away from Helena. He says that's an awful tough hole he's in. He and Jim are going to keep their new place as respectable as can be. Then"—here she lowered her voice a little and spoke with a charming, modest pride—"then he says he knows a man that's got a pull in that ward, and he says he and Jim may get into politics some. There's no telling but they may a good deal. Oh, wouldn't I be proud!"

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At the end of the season I danced at her wedding, and so it came about that I have friends in New York among the governing class, for, I am happy to record, things being as they are, that Maggie's ambition is approaching realization. The pull still pulls. Jim is getting into politics, and life for Maggie is moving to the deep satisfaction of her inborn, indestructible and touching taste of respectability.

"Hung Up" His Watch.

So many were stockings were hung up at home
At Christmas that papa, with pain,
In order to pay for all Santa Claus brought,
Had to hang up his gold watch and chain.

Too Bad.

"Hello, Hattie, merry Christmas! What did you get?"
"Bad cold."

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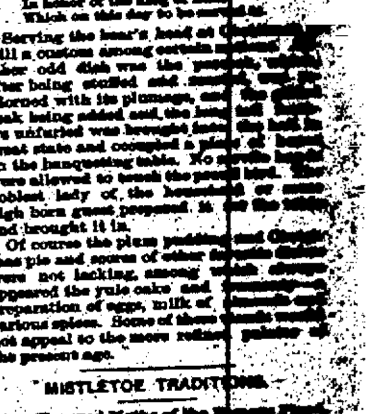

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EFFORTS are being made by Democratic leaders of New York to secure a pardon for Eat Shee, who murdered Ross at Troy last winter

CONGRESS has been engaged for some time on Secretary Carlisle's financial scheme. It may pass the House, but is very liable to be killed in the Senate.

DAVID SLOCUM and wife, an aged couple of Washington township, Erie county, Pa., were bound and gagged and robbed of $10,000 on Saturday night last.

WONDER if Cleveland will find it necessary to call upon Governor Tillman, of South Carolina, to get a prescription filled for snake bites while in the Palmetto state.

THE business world will probably not awake to the dangers and perils involved in Secretary Carlisle's banking bill until it has passed the House. *Philadelphia Press*

SECRETARY HARRITY recommends a change in our election law. Well, if we had been hit as hard as he was in the operation of the present law, we might be disposed to find fault with it ourselves.

MRS SHEARMAN and a Mrs. Davis, of Busti township, Chautauqua Co N Y, were murdered last Saturday afternoon, while alone in the house, by some unknown person, and it is claimed that $200 in money was taken

BY the time a few more would be pugilists, get a rap on the jaw and turn up their toes there will not be so many anxious to gain wealth and renown by entering the prize ring. Let the work go on. They can be spared.

CONGRESSMAN HOLMAN is going to write a book about his thirty years in Congress. We object.—*Baltimore American.* Can't be done. There is not a printing office in the country that could publish it, as they would run out of cap I's.

Two more eminent jurists have pronounced the income tax unconstitutional, to wit Joseph H Choate and Clarence A Seward. The best thing the 53d Congress could do would be to pass a bill appointing a guardian over itself. If they do not, there is no telling what folly they will commit before they adjourn on the 4th of next March

AS THE Lexow investigation goes on it keeps striking at higher [illegible] and only demonstrates the rottenness of the government of the city of New York. Last week they captured a police captain who had paid $15,000 for his commission as a captain of a precinct. The next game to fall will be inspectors and perhaps the superintendent.

HAMILTON FISH, like every other person who has studied the defects of legislation, is in favor of the creation of a Legislative Attorney to lick bills into shape for members. It would be a labor saving device and would prevent some conflicts of statutes.—*Buffalo Express* A very good idea, and one that our own legislature would do well to pattern after. It would save a great deal of supreme court work

SECRETARY OF STATE GRESHAM had better resign from his high position, as the longer he remains in office the less respect will the foreign governments have for Uncle Sam. Let some man of ability take hold of the ship of State. A man that did not know any more than to leave the Republican party and join the Democrats, is not fit for so high a position, even if it is under a Democratic administration

THE President has found Congress too much on his hands and has taken a trip to South Carolina to recuperate his drooping spirits and gain firmness in his free trade theory by lingering around the spot where John C Calhoun, the "most rabid free trader of ye olden times, used to live. Perhaps the spirit of the departed secessionist will arise and hold sweet communion with the consecrated advocate of free trade.

I VENTURE to suggest that even if the combination is desirable, it is not attainable and that a currency cannot be at once safe and elastic. If it is safe it will not be elastic, and if it is elastic it will not be absolutely safe. Furthermore, I contend that under any conditions, elasticity impairs one essential requisite of a currency, namely, its constancy as a measure of the value of other things.—Matthew Marshall in *New York Sun.*

WHO will be the Moses to rise up and lead the Democratic party out of the Egyptian darkness and through the wilderness of industrial depression that its incompetent leaders have drawn the unterrified party into? The old war horses had what little energy they possessed knocked out of them in the late election; consequently they are unfit for leaders. Who will lead the forlorn hope of the defunct party? Hill's stereotyped phrase, "I am a Democrat," does not seem to fit the silver-tongued David any more, and if it was used, would fall with a dull sound upon the listening ears and would bring forth no enthusiasm from the [illegible] followers who have been fed upon the husks of broken Democratic promises. As we view the field, there is not one person in sight, of any pronounced ability, who would be able to lead the party to victory. But perhaps some young Joshua may spring into the gap and make the attempt; but it will be a decided failure.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Special Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17, 1894—The administration and the Democratic leaders of the House are, by their attitude on the currency question, giving the country another instructive object-lesson, showing the Democratic idea of statesmanship. Notwithstanding that those financiers of reputation who were heard, either in person or by letter, by the House Banking and Currency Committee were a unit in condemning, either the whole or a part of Senator Carlisle's misnamed plan of currency reform, the bill drawn up by Secretary Carlisle is to be railroaded through the House this week, unless Democratic plans miscarry.

It may not be true, although many are inclined to think that it is, that the administration is encouraging the withdrawal of gold from the treasury, in order to frighten objecting Democrats into the support of the currency bill which as a sop to the overwhelming vanity, of Representative Springer, chairman of the committee on Banking and Currency, has been re christened, the "Springer Bill" but those who are unquestionably authorized to speak for the administration are presenting some arguments to secure votes for the bill that are certainly questionable. The Democrat who expresses an objection to the bill and nearly all of them do, is told that the bill has not the slightest chance to become a law, but that is merely intended to convince the country that the administration and the majority of the House are anxious to do something, and that its passage by the House will throw the responsibility for the failure of financial legislation upon the already unpopular Senate

It is not necessary to have an extra good memory to recall that similar arguments were used to rush the Wilson tariff bill through the House in a crude form. It is well known that many of the Senate amendments to the tariff bill were begged for by Democratic members of the House who lacked the courage either to propose them or to vote for them in an open, manly way but were willing to beg for them secretly, and then to pose as having been compelled against their wills, to accept the Senate bill, amendments and all. That is the sort of business which disgusted the people and brought about the Democratic defeat of last month. There has not been a single important piece of legislation before Congress since it was controlled by the Democrats, into which this sort of tactics was not introduced to a greater or lesser extent. To put it plainly, if not elegantly, the Democrats in Congress have played and in spite of their bitter experience are continuing to play the people for fools.

Even the tottering, God forsaken government of Turkey, which exists merely by the sufferance of the great powers of Europe does not hesitate to snub this administration. It has refused to allow the United States Consul designated for that duty by Secretary Gresham to accompany the Commission composed of Representatives of Russia and Great Britain which will investigate the massacre of Christian Armenians by Turkish troops. If Secretary Gresham had not blundered from the start he would not be in his present humiliating position. He has already been taken to task by Congress for several of his blunders and this last one will certainly be heard from

The Senate will do nothing in the way of political legislation at this session, although there is still much talk about a cloture rule, but not as much as there was when the silver repeal was pending. Bluffs will be made at the sugar schedule of the tariff law from time to time, but they will have a speculative, not a legislative object

General Sickles of New York is one of the few Democrats in the House who has a brilliant Union Army record, and almost the only Democrat who has had the courage to openly antagonize the pension policy of this administration. His latest remarks made just previous to the passing of the pension appropriation by the House, are alike creditable to him and to every ex-Union soldier. He said "I want to say right here to-day for it may be the last opportunity I shall have to say it here in vindication of my comrades, that the roll of a million names, with so few instances of fraud, is a monument of honor to American soldiers only less worthy only less admirable than the heroic services they performed in the preservation of this Union for which services their pensions are awarded

Mr Cleveland is still making extensions of the classified civil service. The civil service reform professions of the administration would be entitled to more respect if less were known of the methods in vogue in the departments to get big salaries for Democrats at the expense of good clerks women as well as men. For instance a $1400 woman clerk was compelled to exchange salaries with a $900 Democrat, and they both do the same work they did before the exchange

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Recommendation Grand Jury, December Term, 1894.

SMETHPORT, PA., Dec. 12, 1894.

TO THE HONORABLE THE JUDGES OF THE COURT OF QUARTER SESSIONS OF MCKEAN COUNTY

The grand jury respectfully and urgently and urgently make the following recommendations

1st After examining the court house building we recommend that the following repairs be made at once New floors where needed, linoleum placed on all the floors of offices on first floor, rubber matting on the vaults and that the bar of court room be properly and conveniently lighted by gas, also that a water closet be put in the small room of the grand jury room. We also recommend that a competent person be employed to examine the foundation of the court house and report to the proper persons the remedy as we find a number of breaks in the wall on the west side of the building which we think is caused by faulty drainage. We have examined the water closets in the basement of the court house and find them in a filthy condition, which demand immediate attention

2d We recommend that eight windows be put up in the cells and laundry department of the jail building. We find the jail in a very neat and clean condition. No fault could be found by any person or persons. All dishes, knives and forks should be removed from the female prison department

3d We visited the poor farm, examined carefully all the houses and find them in good condition. We find that there have been [illegible] inmates during the past year, there are at present [illegible] inmates. After having examined all the out buildings and buildings proper inside and out we find them in a condition creditable to the county and the present administration of the poor farm.

The above recommendations were adopted by the unanimous vote of the grand jury.

JAMES [illegible], Foreman

And now Dec [illegible] 1894 the report is [illegible] and [illegible] delivered to the County Commissioners and we request the Commissioners to give the matters herein recommended their careful consideration [illegible]

McKean County ss

Filed December [illegible] from the rec[illegible]

[illegible] W. M[illegible] Clerk

Food for Fever Patients

Dr Peabody in the Medical Record expresses his belief that, in all kinds of illness and especially in fevers attention should be paid to the appetite and desires of the patient, and that, if a patient is really hungry, solid food of a properly selected kind and in judicious quantities, will rarely disagree with him. Dr. Peabody believes there is less danger of doing harm to an ulcerated ileum in typhoid fever by giving finely divided egg, beef or chop than by giving milk, and habitually gives his typhoid patients who are hungry such food. He believes that it is a mistake to withhold solid food merely because a patient has fever, and that it is incorrect to regard milk as a fluid food, as [illegible] the simple fact being that milk [illegible] the most serviceable general food [illegible] but where it fails to nourish the patient or where it is not well received, or [illegible] reason it cannot be taken it is to be [illegible] that efficient and [illegible] good substitutes are within reach.

Miss Katie Rosengrant

Ulster, Tenn.

Scrofula

The Worst Case the Doctors Ever Saw

Hood's Sarsaparilla Perfectly Cured

"C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

"Dear Sirs:—I wish to testify to the great value of Hood's Sarsaparilla. For some time I had been troubled with scrofula, which early last winter assumed a very bad form.

Sores Appeared on My Face

and hands and gradually increased in number until they reached to my shoulder. The doctors said it was the worst case of scrofula they ever saw and also went so far as to say it was incurable. I tried ointments and other remedies but to no avail. A friend recommended Hood's

Hood's Sarsaparilla Cures

Sarsaparilla, and although I was completely discouraged, as a last chance I resolved to give it a trial. After taking one bottle I noticed the sores had commenced to heal. After the sixth bottle

They Were All Healed.

I continued to take it, however, until I had used nine bottles and now I am perfectly well." MISS KATIE ROSENGRANT, Ulster, Tenn.

Hood's Pills are prompt and efficient, yet easy in action. Sold by all druggists. 25c.

List of Letters

remaining in the postoffice at Smethport, Pa., for the week ending Dec 15 1894

[illegible] — J [illegible] T W
J [illegible] — Johnson T W
Lockwood T D — Obara Flore ce
Larmonier K J — Thompson Mrs Harry

Persons calling for these letters please say "advertised"

W. P. WALSH Postmaster.

Specimen Cases.

S. H. Clifford, New Cassel, Wis., was troubled with Neuralgia and Rheumatism, his Stomach was disordered, his Liver was affected to an alarming degree, appetite fell away, and he was terribly reduced in flesh and strength. Three bottles of Electric Bitters cured him.

Edward Shepherd, Harrisburg, Ill., had a running sore on his leg of eight years' standing. Used three bottles of Electric Bitters and seven boxes of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, and his leg is sound and well. John Speaker, Catawba, O., had five large fever sores on his leg, doctors said he was incurable. One bottle of Electric Bitters and one box of Arnica Salve cured him entirely. Sold at Frank R. Foster's and A. B. Armstrong's Drug Store.

Not in His Way

"Is my hat in your way?" inquired the sweet girl in the parquet seat, as she turned around and spoke to the man behind.

"Not at all," said the man behind, grumpily, as he surveyed her big hat and grabbed up his overcoat, "my way lies toward the box office to get my seat changed."—*Chicago Record*

Relief in Six Hours.

Distressing Kidney and Bladder diseases relieved in six hours by the "New Great South American Kidney Cure. This new remedy is a great surprise on account of its exceeding promptness in relieving pain in the bladder kidneys, back and every part of the urinary passages in male or female. It relieves retention of water and pain in passing it almost immediately. If you want quick relief and cure this is your remedy. Sold by A. B. Armstrong, Druggist, Smethport, Pa.

Prof Barret of St. Lawrence county, N. Y., speaking of pulmonary diseases, says. Not one death occurs now where twenty died before Down's Elixir was known. Over fifty years of constant success places Down's Elixir at the head of the long list of cough remedies.

If you want a good medicine to purify your blood, give nerve strength and build up your entire system, take Hood's Sarsaparilla. It prevents sickness by making pure blood.

Itch on human, mange on horses, dogs and all stock, cured in 20 minutes by Woolford's Sanitary Lotion. This never fails. Sold by A. B. Armstrong, Druggist, Smethport Pa.

The reason why Arnica & Oil Liniment is so popular with the ladies is because it not only is very healing and soothing but its odor is not at all offensive.

Don't suffer with indigestion, use Baxter's Mandrake Bitters.

Hood's Pills cure nausea, sick headache, indigestion and biliousness. 25c.

COOKING STOCK FEED.

"I suppose it will be a long time before feeders agree concerning the desirability of cooking for stock," writes C B W., of Shawano, Wis. "Permit me to give my experience and observation. While I resided in Washington Co., New York, all the best farmers there fed their hogs boiled potatoes, mixed with ground corn and peas. Hogs so fed, in lots of 25 to 50, would average 350 pounds. In my own experience of fattening old cattle for beef, I find that the best results are obtained by taking good sound corn and boiling it until the kernels crack open. It becomes very soft. Add a little salt while boiling. Feed when cool. It is the cheapest, and will fat ten animals in the shortest possible time. Corn treated this way will also put flesh on horses which have been made poor from hard work, rapidly. It has also proved excellent for milch cows."—*American Agriculturist*

HEART DISEASE!

Fluttering, No Appetite, Could Not Sleep, Wind on Stomach.

"For a long time I had a terrible pain at my heart, which fluttered almost incessantly. I had no appetite and could not sleep. I would be compelled to sit up in bed and belch gas from my stomach until I thought that every minute would be my last. There was a feeling of oppression about my heart, and I was afraid to draw a full breath. I could not sweep a room without resting. My husband induced me to try

Dr. Miles' Heart Cure

and am happy to say it has cured me. I now have a splendid appetite and sleep well. Its effect was truly marvelous."

MRS. HARRY E. STARR, Pottsville, Pa.

Dr. Miles Heart Cure is sold on a positive guarantee that the first bottle will benefit. All druggists sell it at $1, 6 bottles for $5, or it will be sent, prepaid, on receipt of price by the Dr. Miles Medical Co., Elkhart, Ind.

Fresh Turnips

J C Breneman received the following card on Tuesday

UNION CITY, IND., DEC 12 '94

J C Breneman

SIR—I notice by Indiana papers you are engaged in the produce business in your city. I have a car load of turnips in good condition. Can I send them to you? Please answer at at once, and state price. Your commission, etc. Can dispose of a trade with shade trees if necessary. Truly Yours,

J C MCGINTY

Catarrh Cannot be Cured

with local applications, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quack medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years, and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing catarrh. Send for testimonials free.

F. J. CHENEY & Co., Props., Toledo, O.

Sold by druggists, price 75 cents.

A Household Treasure.

D. W. Fuller, of Canajoharie, N. Y., says that he always keeps Dr. King's New Discovery in the house and his family has always found the very best results follow its use; that he would not be without it, if procurable. G. A. Dykeman, Druggist, Catskill, N. Y., says that Dr. King's New Discovery is undoubtedly the best cough remedy; that he has used it in his family for eight years, and it has never failed to do all that is claimed for it. Why not try a remedy so long tried and tested. Trial bottles free at F. R. Foster's and A. B. Armstrong & Co's drug store. Regular size 50c and $1.00.

RHEUMATISM CURED IN A DAY—"Mystic Cure" for Rheumatism and Neuralgia radically cures in 1 to 3 days. Its action upon the system is remarkable and mysterious. It removes at once the cause and the disease immediately disappears. The first dose greatly benefits, 75 cents. Sold by A. B. Armstrong Druggist, Smethport.

T. P. Vial, [illegible] of Promise City, Iowa, says: "I bought one bottle of "Mystic Cure" for Rheumatism and two doses of it did me more good than all the medicine I ever took." Sold by A. B. Armstrong, Druggist, Smethport Pa

One or two of Shedd's Little Mandrake Pills will do you more good than a whole box full of those monstrous cathartics.

License Transfer Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT AN APplication will be made to the Court of Quarter Sessions of McKean county, at Smethport on Tuesday, the 8th day of January, 1895, at 2 o'clock p. m. to transfer the retailing or license granted May 18, 1894, to Harvey H. Corwin to sell liquors, etc. at the Kane House, in the First ward of the borough of Kane, at north end east on west side of Fraley street, the name of the person to whom said license is proposed to be transferred is Thomas Fleckenstein, residing at New Bethlehem, Clarion Co., Pa., occupation, hotel keeper.

J. W. B[illegible], Att'y for Petitioner

Smethport, Pa., Dec 17 1894. 3t.

INSURANCE.

Fire insurance written in the leading companies. Life and Accident Insurance in the most reliable companies of America.

PIANOS

Of the following first-class manufacturers. A. B. Chase, Bush & Gertz, Malcom Love and Woodward & Brown, sold for cash or on installments.

ORGANS

Of the very best mades, sold for cash or on installments, at reduced prices.

SEWING MACHINES.

Will sell Domestic and Wheeler & Wilson machines hereafter for cash at a

Reduction of $25.00

from the list price of each machine, at my store. Now avail yourselves of this grand offer.

Piano and Organ Instruction Books, Sheet Music, Needles, Oil and all kinds of Fixtures for all kinds of Sewing Machines. Mail orders will receive prompt attention.

C. A. BURDICK.

Salesroom, Reilly Block, Smethport, Pa.

B.H.&Co.

Buffalo, Wednesday, Dec. 19 1894

Are Your Presents BOUGHT YET?

If not, arrange to take the first train to Buffalo and see the many rich displays in Holiday Goods of every sort

The last days are the best days for bargain-hunters. Odd lots and broken assortments make it worth your while to buy at reduced prices

We've had a splendid Holiday trade and we're inclined to be more liberal in consequence. If you have presents to buy for any member of the family follow the crowd this way. Those who get here before noon each day will get better service than those who don't.

Store open Saturday and Monday evenings for the benefit of late shoppers.

Bicycles For Gifts:

Perfectly new, first class Pneumatic Bicycles for men and women very special at $50.

These wheels are fitted with Morgan Wright pneumatic tires and all modern improvements, being equal in every respect to regular $125 machines

A good Bicycle is the ideal Christmas present. Mail orders filled promptly

Sewing Machines:

The well known "Demores" Machines, finished in Oak or Walnut, very special at $19.50. Working parts *guaranteed for five years*

Everything first class. Other makers ask $55 for a machine not one bit better

Barnes, Hengerer & Co.

The MINER has the largest general circulation of any paper in this county. It is therefore the best for advertisers.

C. H. Judd

ATTORNEY AT LAW, over [illegible] Main st [illegible] Davis Block Bradford Pa. [illegible]

The People OF SMETHPORT

Will appreciate the opportunity for doing some metropolitan shopping at their own doors.

BRADY & CORSAW have opened in the new Olean House Block, Olean, one of the finest and most complete lines of Holiday goods ever exhibited in Western New York.

We particularly call attention to our line of BOOKS, TOYS and DOLLS.

We are members of the Olean Merchants' Exchange, and give trade tickets good for payment on any kind of merchandise sold in town with every sale.

BRADY & CORSAW,

Olean House Block,

Olean, - N. Y.

CAPITOL RESTAURANT.

COR MAIN AND UNION STS

Everything the market affords kept for our patrons

We will furnish the people of Smethport with bread and all kinds of pastry for their [illegible] at [illegible] prices

Oysters [illegible]

MRS L. V. VALENTINE, Proprietor

BLACKSMITH SHOP,

THOS. MCGRAW, Proprietor,
East Smethport, Pa

Having opened business in the above place, I am now prepared to do all kinds of repairing of wagons, horseshoeing, &c. Satisfaction guaranteed.

You ought to get

Dr. Day's Strong Cough Syrup.

CHINAWARE AND GLASSWARE FOR CHRISTMAS!

I desire to call your attention to my new line of goods recently purchased for the Holiday Trade, and as it is about time you were looking about for

CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

why not drop into my store and look over the assortment?

Your attention is called to the new designs in After Dinner Coffees, Dinner and Tea Sets, Cups and Saucers, Bonbon Boxes, Salad Dishes and many other useful and ornamental goods in Chinaware.

In the Glassware line you will find Celery Trays, Punch Bowls, Water Sets and fine Tumblers besides many other novelties in china and glassware

See the beautiful display in my windows.

L. W. MASON.

Don't You Hear Dem Bells!

CHRISTMAS BELLS!

St. Nick Surprised!

At Our Nerve in Buying and Our Prices in Selling

GOOD TIMES because of the GOOD THINGS you can buy WITH LITTLE MONEY.

M. L. ARMSTRONG.

J. G. WILLIAMS

I will have for XMAS a choice stock of Turkeys, Ducks and Chickens as well as my usual line of Fresh, Salt, Smoked Meats and Pearson's Count Oysters. Also, Celery, Cranberries, etc., etc

Leave your XMAS order early and it will be delivered at the hour requested.

I am competing with all opposition in my line of Meats and Groceries. Call and see what cuts of meat you can obtain for 4, 5 and 7 cents.

Thanking my patrons for past favors I remain

Respectfully Yours,

J. G. WILLIAMS,

Main St., above Grand Central — SMETHPORT PA

NEW GOODS JUST RECEIVED AT CARTER'S FOR THE HOLIDAY TRADE,

CONSISTING OF

Watches, Clocks, Jewelry, Silverware and Optical Goods.

Our elegant stock of Holiday Goods is a popular one in every respect, selected to meet all requirements.

We are glad to welcome visitors, pleased to show our goods and ready to make close prices to all buyers.

SMETHPORT, PA.

One Price and Plain Figures.

MONEY IN YOUR POCKET

makes you feel that this old world isn't such a bad place after all. There is nothing like a good night's sleep and three square meals a day to make a man feel jolly. How to keep money in your pocket is therefore an important issue every day in the year. "It's Money in Your Pocket" to attend our Sensation Sale of clothing now in progress.

Men's Fine Suits, - $4.50 to 12.00
Boy's Fine Suits, - $1.50 to 3.50
Boy's Fine Overcoats, $1.50 to 5.00

We must reduce our big stock and prices are the lever that will make them move rapidly. Suits for Men, Youths, Boys and Children. Overcoats for everybody. Assortment superb, quality high and prices below the cellar bottom. No other store in Olean offers any such inducements in Suits and Overcoats as

Ford's Red Front Clothing House,

Best Place to Buy Clothing and Footwear,

158-160 Union Street, - OLEAN, N. Y.

CASH FOR YOUR Heading Bolts!

We want some BASSWOOD and heading bolts for CASH. Bolts to be delivered either at Olean or at W. N. Y. & P. stations. Write for circulars and Price List.

BALED SHAVINGS

(BASSWOOD AND PINE)

SUITABLE FOR STOCK FARMS, NURSERIES, ICE, BEDDING AND PACKING PURPOSES,

In compressed bales 36x18x14, about 280 bales to car. Price named delivered and on cars at Olean, N. Y.

Joseph Lovecraft & Son,

Established 1856

Mills at East Olean and Rochester.

Address, Box 333, OLEAN, N. Y.

REILLY'S HOLIDAY ANNOUNCEMENT!

An elegant line HOLIDAY GOODS, consisting of the latest designs in

Parlor Furniture,
Parlor Tables,
Book Cases,
Side Boards.
Fancy Rockers, Pictures.
Easels,
Fire Screens and
Wall Pockets.

Also a large assortment of RUGS which I am selling at ordinary prices.

HAVING BEEN ENGAGED IN BUSINESS HERE FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS, I have made a special study of the wants of the public in HOLIDAY GOODS, and have on hand an assortment which is well adapted for the Holiday trade. In this connection I can safely assure the people that my prices are in accord with the times, and they need not, therefore, go out of town to save money or purchase seasonable goods. Call early and look over my stock, and you will be sure to be suited. I shall take pleasure in showing my goods to all who may come, whether they purchase or not.

WATCH MY WINDOWS
FOR NOVELTIES.

J. M. REILLY.

Now For Bargains.

This is the time of year when every family wants to make a dollar go as far as possible, as there are so many things needed.

Every cent must be used to its best advantage, and the store which sells goods on the close margin, quick sale and cash price basis is the one to patronize

There should be no friendship in business, AND THERE IS NONE. The best friend you have is MR. GOOD HARD CASH and look well before you part with it.

A few bargains from the multitude at our store

DOLLS—Little Dolls, Big Dolls, Black Dolls, White Dolls, in fact all kinds of Dolls and all prices, 1c to $3

[illegible] the regular 10, 15, 20 and 25c books [illegible]

Children's blocks, a big variety, 10 up

[illegible] 35c

[illegible]

Aluminum [illegible] frames 9c

" [illegible] sets 75c up

" handkerchief cases 50c up

" glove boxes 48c up

" collar & cuff boxes 21c up

Glass covered jewel cases 52c up

Porcelain [illegible] all sizes and all prices 9c up

Atomizers all sizes and all prices.

Crepe paper toilet boxes, prices way down

Doll's shoes all colors 15c pr

Ladies' overgaiters, 7 button, 28c.

" " 10 " 69c

Baby soft sole shoes, all colors, 25c

Child's shoes, 5-8, cap toe, extra good 29c

Child's shoes, 8-11, cap toe, extra good, 69c

Child's high counter for weak ankles $1.25

Men's slippers, fancy and good 48c and up

Ladies' shoes, 98c to $3.50

Men's " 95c to $4.50

Ladies' coney capes, 27 inch, $4.90

" " " 30 " $7.50, $9.00 and $11.50

Ladies' real astrachan capes, 27 inch $10.50

Ladies' real astrachan capes, 30 inch, $12.50

We have many other good bargains in Dry Goods, Notions, Ribbons, Millinery, Gent's Furnishings and Winter Goods of all kinds too numerous to mention. Our stock is complete in all lines. It will pay you to visit our store before you buy.

OLEAN RACKET STORE

175-177 Union St.,

OLEAN, - - N. Y.

OLEAN MUSIC CO.

WHO BUYS OF US

RUNS NO RISK!

Because we sell famous makes only.

Because we take back free anything unsatisfactory.

Sounds generous doesn't it?

We can afford to offer more than most dealers, because we know all the quirks about

PIANOS AND ORGANS.

We have the facilities for giving longer time and easier terms than any house in this vicinity. Our 16 years experience in the business enables us to buy goods at such figures with which we defy competition.

BRANCH OFFICE

MAIN STREET,

Smethport, Pa.

A. B. BOYLE, Agt.

GREAT HOLIDAY EXHIBIT.

Our store is filled to overflowing with Staple and Holiday goods of every description at the very lowest prices. Almost every known article, either useful or ornamental, you can find in our Stock

Beautiful Dress Goods, in Colors or Black, make a seasonable present.

Men's Youth's and Childrens' Slippers, suitable for comfort these long evenings

Our Stock also includes Toys, Books, Games, China Ware, Cups and Saucers, Plates, Childrens' Tea Sets, Vases, Card Cases, Handkerchief Cases, Manicure Sets, Couch Pillows, Handkerchiefs, Mufflers, Umbrellas, Perfumeries, Stationery, and last, but not least in our collection of Dolls you will find all that can be desired.

Give us a call and you will be pleased with the result.

MRS. T. D. NASH.

HARD TIMES MADE EASY!

Christmas Prices Lower Than Ever!

Go to the Cash Store of

D. C. YOUNG

And note the reduction in price of

STAPLE AND FANCY GOODS.

Buy the things you need and have money enough left to buy your CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

All goods in my store bought for CASH and sold for CASH or its equivalent. No bad debts to make up off cash customers.

New line of DRESS GOODS at reduced prices.

WOMEN'S and CHILDREN'S SHOES cheaper than ever.

Finest line of Christmas Goods ever shown in Smethport

Fine Florida Oranges a specialty.

Flour 75c, 90c and $1.15 per sack

All the other Provisions and Groceries at equally low prices.

SMETHPORT, PA., Nov. 16, 1894. — D. C. YOUNG

WELL! WELL!

Having made a trip up north some time since, I made arrangements with old Santa Claus to send me an early installment of his best Holiday Goods, and the old gent did not disappoint me in the least. I left the matter wholly to his judgment, knowing from his wide experience that he would select just what would be pleasing to both old and young. I find his taste excellent, which is clearly proven by the rapidity of the sales. Below are some of his selections:

An elegant line of Aluminum and White Metal Goods, in Jewel Cases, Collar and Cuff Boxes, Mirrors, Picture Frames, etc.

Celluloid Goods of all kinds and descriptions.

A beautiful line of Hand Painted Porcelain Smoking sets.

All the latest Games.

Beautiful Fan and Glove Boxes.

Inkstands in Gold, Silver and Horn.

Elegant Souvenirs in Gold, Silver and Celluloid.

Fine line of Work Baskets from 10 cents up.

The most complete line of Plush and Leather goods, in Jewel Cases, Work Boxes, Toilet Cases, &c., ever brought to Smethport.

Magic Lanterns.

Sleds, Rocking Horses and Doll Carriages.

Savings Banks for the little ones.

Building Blocks of all kinds.

And a thousand and one other beautiful and useful articles suitable for Christmas gifts. But our space forbids our extending the list further. We have the goods to suit all stages of life, from childhood to old age.

LOW PRICES AND QUICK SALES!

IS MY MOTTO.

H. C. WELLS,

SMETHPORT, PENN'A.

F. G. LINDHOLM & CO.

ANNOUNCEMENT!

—ON—

Saturday, Dec. 8,

We placed before the public a beautiful and complete line of

HOLIDAY GOODS

at prices to suit all purses. Space permits us to mention but a few of the many articles

- Latest styles in Neckwear
- Complete assortment of Handkerchiefs
- Beautiful line of Fancy Dry Goods
- Wood and Iron Toys
- New and Old Games.
- New designs in Vases
- A well selected stock of Books and Booklets
- Useful and Ornamental Baskets, and everything else which goes to make up a complete General Store

F. G. LINDHOLM & CO.

220 Main St., Smethport, Pa

McKean County Miner.

Entered at the postoffice at Smethport as second-class mail matter

NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS

The label on your paper shows the time to which it is paid.

[illegible]

If you do not get the paper regularly let us know. We mail [illegible] and [illegible] of the trouble is with the mails when not received.

☞ Remember that for $1.75 we send the MINER and Philadelphia Weekly PRESS one year.

LOCAL NOTICES

Candy—all kinds at bakery

Go to Burdick's for holiday goods.

Holly for Christmas decorations at the bakery

Nice cloaks for Xmas presents at Lindholm & Co's

Go to the Bakery for Christmas candies. The largest stock in town

Chas Lemmler has the finest line of robes & blankets in McKean Co. Buyers

Go to Chas Lemmler for light & heavy harness whips robes, bells & sleigh bells

Don't forget the great cloak sale at Lindholm & Co's. $800 worth to choose from

Have you had any of Beatrice's home made candy? If not you should try it. Yum yum!

Buy your son or husband a pair of fine patent leather shoes for a Xmas present at Bloodsworth & Co. Shoe Hustlers Olean N. Y.

The big display of holiday goods at Burdick's is drawing considerable attention. Don't fail to examine this stock before deciding on what you want.

Your husband is expecting slippers of course, same as usual. Don't disappoint him Xmas. 75c to $3.00 a pair at Bloodsworth & Co., Shoe Hustlers Olean N. Y.

A beautiful line of ladies party slippers. Make the daughter happy Xmas by making her a present of a pair. Bloodsworth & Co. Shoe Hustlers, Olean N. Y.

It seems hardly possible, but nevertheless it is true that on an average every fifty-fifth person you meet wears W. L. Douglas Shoes. Did you ever realize what a business it is making it is to supply one article of wearing apparel to over one million people

Is it not about time to quit the peddler and dry goods merchant when you want anything in the jewelry line and go to your jeweler, whose guarantee goes with every article sold and who knows what he is selling. You would not expect us to classify calicoes and silks, and that dry goods merchant does not live who can place values upon jewelry. It is a trade that takes years of hard work and study to master. Thanks to an all-wise and ever ready "political clamp" we are able to almost give goods away, simply because all lines are over-stocked, and the laborer is just working to keep his hand in. Watches from $3.00 up to $150.00; clocks 50 cents to $25.00. Silver-ware is most too low to quote. Call and let's talk it over. M. L. ARMSTRONG

Great Cloak Sale

Just received at Lindholm & Co's $800 worth of the finest cloaks ever brought to Smethport. Come early and make your selections

Special.

Mrs. A. M. French, who is located in the Reilly block, has secured the services of a first-class dressmaker from one of the most fashionable shops in Bradford to assist her during the holidays. Your patronage is solicited feeling assured that you will be pleased with the work

Strayed.

Came to the premises of the undersigned a black cow about five or six years old. The horns are short and turn inwards. The owner will please come forward and prove property and pay charges or the cow will be disposed of according to law.

JOHN L. CLARK
3t. Mt. Alton Pa.

Make your friend a present of a pair of handsome babies' shoes, any color, little soft soles. At Bloodsworth & Co., Shoe Hustlers, Olean, N. Y.

Smethport, Pa., Dec. 21, 1894.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

—Guy Bros Dec. 27.

—No paper next week.

—Renew your subscriptions for 1895

—The MINER for 1895, price $1.25 in advance.

—Read our various clubbing offers elsewhere.

—J. C. Hamlin has added a glass top counter to his store.

—We wish you all a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

—The metal for the new Mechanic Street bridge has arrived.

—The post office hereafter will not be open mornings until 7:15.

—Joe Williams has so far recovered as to be able to be on the street.

—Read the changes in the B. R. & K. R. R. time table in this week's issue.

—The Legislature meets a week from next Tuesday, the first day of the year.

—Robert Louis Stevenson, the novelist, died on the island of Samoa on Dec. 8 h.

—A new train from Kinzua Junction to Rixford was put on that branch last Monday.

—Do not fail to read the very interesting letter from our correspondent at Ormsby.

—There will be a Christmas cantata rendered at the Baptist Church on Monday evening.

—M. C. Wells was appointed jury commissioner to fill the unexpired term of John Smith.

—And the Court House still stands.—[illegible] Journal. Whew! Even after you [illegible] the windows in your office!

—Judging from what we can see in our stores, there is no need of going away from town for Christmas presents.

—All of our advertisers have something suitable for Christmas presents. Read what they say about it in their advertisements.

—The Potter *Enterprise* comes out this week with a holiday supplement chock full of excellent reading matter. It is a hummer.

—Our little friends should see to it that their stockings are properly mended, as it will not do to have any holes in them at Christmas.

—In the case of the Commonwealth vs P. C. Boyle, for libel, the jury returned a verdict of guilty, defendant sentenced to pay a fine of $100 and costs.

—The second month's tea, given by the ladies of St. Luke's Guild, will be served Dec. 27 from 6 to 8 p. m. at the residence of Mrs. J. C. Hamlin.

—A remarkable thing about the wedding of Mr. Walker and Mrs. Walter was that it only required the change of one letter to change the name, "k" and "t."

—These immense puffed sleeves and a loving mother do not go well together as fondling her children would be detrimental to the preservation of the puffed sleeves.

—Kirmess had such great attractions for one of our printers last Saturday night in Bradford that he unfortunately missed the train and could not sing in the choir on Sunday.

—Belle Hanington, of Olean, 43 years of age, was found dead in her room on Tuesday night last, about 8 o'clock. There was no indication of foul play or poison. She undoubtedly died a natural death.

—Rev. J. W. Sanborn is an artist of no mean merit. He has presented this office with some photographs, one of the school building and another of St. Luke's church that would be difficult for any artist to improve upon.

—The committee of the Teacher's Association met at Bradford on Saturday last to arrange matters for holding its annual Institute. They will meet at Bradford about the middle of February. Programme will be announced later.

—Drs. Burg, Chadwick, A. N. Crandall and Joseph Holder who were appointed by court to examine into the lunacy of J. Glennon of Port Allegany have decided that he is a fit subject to be sent to the hospital for the insane at Warren.

—Room No. 1 will give a reception to their friends and patrons this Friday from 2 to 3 p. m. The Gymnastic Drill and American Flag Salute will be of special interest to all. Specimens of drawing and penmanship will be on exhibition.

—G. A. R. Post 317 and W. R. C. 23, will hold an open meeting on Thursday, January 3d 1895, when the public installation of officers will be held. Afterward baked beans will be served and a collection taken up for the benefit of the charity fund.

—Reuben Cottle died Tuesday night in the western penitentiary at Allegheny. He was convicted of forgery on Jan. 19 1892 and sentenced to four years and three calendar months solitary confinement. His term would have expired on Sept. 19th, 1896.

—Mrs. Burrett, of Bradford, for many years recording secretary of the County W. C. T. U., will give a very interesting report of the National Convention, lately held in Cleveland, being a delegate, in the M. E. Church Wednesday Dec. 26. All are cordially invited.

—C. F. Judd, attorney for the Chautauqua National Building Loan & Savings Association of Jamestown, N. Y., brought out thirty mortgages for record which made Recorder Mitchell smile and [illegible] the back of our friend, Chas. Dickinson, during the holidays.

—We are indebted to Mr. F. D. Nash for a copy of the "Tabulated Statement" of the votes cast for the several candidates in this State at the late election from Governor down to the Associate Judges of the Court of Common Pleas. It will be very useful for reference.

—We would respectfully suggest to our city fathers that they get a few old tin lanterns and tallow dips such as our ancestors had and place along the sidewalks these dark nights to prevent strangers who visit our pleasant town from falling into the ditches if they happen to walk out at night.

—An immense fortune awaits the man who can discover some kind of a combination that will keep bank cashiers and clerks from stealing the funds of the institution. It is getting so common that a paper can hardly be picked up that does not contain a new story of peculation and fraud in banking circles.

—Bradford's great mystery of what became of the linoleum has at last been solved. City Clerk Lindsey has finally been prevailed upon to unbosom his long kept secret, and now the city fathers rest easier and the long deferred measurements of the much-talked-of linoleum can be taken. Peace reigns again.

—The following libel appears in the Jamestown *News*: "One Bradford editor says of another that his hair is so fiery red it has to be cut with asbestos scissors." A mistake, gentlemen. His hair is very likely so red that he dare not have it cut at all for fear of bleeding to death. Undoubtedly he sears it with a crimping iron.

—We have received an invitation to attend the Jour de L'an ball, to be given at the Kittredge opera house on Jan. 1st. This will be one of the grandest affairs ever given in Smethport. The different committees have spared no pains or expense in making their arrangements, and those who participate can feel assured that they will have an enjoyable time.

—Maxwell and the smart alecks at Ceres who assisted him to remove a house into New York State out of Pennsylvania, because the house stood on land owned by a Mr. Smith, are all liable to be arrested. Mr. Maxwell for having stolen goods in his possession, and the others for assisting to remove the same. Some people would carry off a red hot stove if it was not too heavy.

—In accordance with its usual custom the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh Ry will this year issue Excursion tickets for the Christmas and New Year Holidays at one and one third the regular fare one way, for the round trip with minimum rate of 25 c. Tickets will be sold only on December 24th and 25th, and 31st, 1894 and January 1st, 1895 limited for return passage until January 2d, 1895.

—Last Tuesday Dr. McCoy left his team standing in front of his house without being tied while he went to get his gloves. When he returned the horses were gone. They had become frightened at something and ran down across the vacant lot in front of the Doctor's house, going towards the narrow gauge railroad track, where the buggy was found in a ditch, completely ruined, but the horses escaped without injury. Moral—tie your horses.

—In giving an account of the Beckwith golden wedding in a recent issue, we neglected to refer to a wedding cake which was gotten up by Mrs. Hefler, Mrs. Moody and Mrs. Martin. It was surrounded by a row of hearts to represent the children, with smaller ones to represent the grandchildren. Mr. and Mrs. Beckwith requested us to extend their thanks to the givers.

—We are under obligations to Rev. J. W. Sanborn for a copy of his Seneca Indian hymn book, which he translated into the Seneca language after which he had the type made, doing the printing himself. It was the work of about 14 years, and is the only book ever printed in that language. Mr. Sanborn is to be congratulated on his success in producing a book that perpetuates his name to the Senecas.

—The Philadelphia Sunday *Inquirer* sent out 56 pages and gave an interesting and detailed account of the reception given in their new building, which they occupied for the first time on Saturday night, which is profusely illustrated. The *Inquirer* office is now one of the most complete in the world, and the MINER takes pleasure in extending to its publisher Mr. James Elverson, its hearty congratulations.

—The State Board of Health has wisely adopted the rule that all persons who suffer from typhoid fever or such contagious diseases are to be kept out of the public schools for a period of not less than six weeks after they have recovered from such disease and all other members of the family residing where the same exists cannot attend school until fourteen days after the attending physician shall have pronounced the patient well.

—A few people gathered at the Baptist church last Tuesday evening to listen to a traveling musical combination, which had been well recommended. It was, therefore, a great disappointment to those present to find they had been deceived and added to their disappointment, they were treated in an insulting manner by the manager of the company in his actions on the platform. It would seem that after such an exhibition our people would be more careful in the future in opening their churches to strangers.

—A convention of the Sunday School workers of McKean County will be held in Bradford on Thursday, January 31, 1895. The morning and afternoon meetings will be held in the Presbyterian church. The State Secretary of the P[illegible] S. S. Association, Rev. G. J. Kephart, Editor of the *Sunday School Herald* will conduct a Teachers Conference and deliver addresses on different phases of the work. Every Sunday school in the County is requested to elect delegates, sending their names to W. S. Hall, 135 Congress St., Bradford.

—At 4 p. m. on Friday of this week the new chime of bells presented to St. Luke's will be dedicated. The service for the occasion has been handsomely printed for distribution to the congregation. At the end of the service the [illegible] will be accompanied by the chimes after which the full capacity of the chimes for musical effect will be tested by Mr. F. R. Staples, in the ringing of peals, changes and various musical selections. This being one of the Ember weeks, or weeks of prayer for the ministry, there will be services on Friday and Saturday evenings at 7:30 o'clock.

—A lot of weather signs point to an uncommonly severe winter. English sparrows are growing feathers on their legs, corn husks are thicker than usual, young lambs are growing wool faster than usual, squirrels are unusually busy, coons and possums have a heavy growth of fur coming on, insects have left the north side of the trees in the woods and beavers are laying in an extra large supply of winter food much earlier than usual. These are the signs which the country prophets are practically unanimous in announcing as their prediction for the coming winter. I don't ask the reader anything to believe it, but snow shovels cost from 50 cents up.—*Ex*

—Teach your children to do little things about the house. It trains them to be useful, not awkward in later and more important affairs. It gives them occupation while they are small, and it really is an assistance to the mother in the end, although she always feels during the training period that it is much easier to do a thing herself than to show another how. This last excuse has done much to make women the unhappy members of an older society and should be remembered, in its effects, by the mother while her little ones are beginning to learn all things, good and bad, at her knee. Occupation makes happiness, and occupation cannot be acquired too young.—*Ex*

—For ten years the desk calendar issued by the Pope Manufacturing Company has held a unique place among business helpers. Each daily leaf during that time has taught its quiet lesson of the value of better roads and outdoor exercise, and especially the benefits of bicycling. The calendar for 1895, which is just issued, is even brighter than its predecessors in appearance, as clever artists have added dainty silhouette and sketch to the usual wise and witty contributions that have heretofore given this popular calendar its charm. It can be had for 5 two cent stamps from the Pope Manufacturing Company, Hartford, Conn., or from any Columbia bicycle agency.

—O. R. Brownell, A. P. Pope and Anson Burdick went out on Monday to see the McKean well shot. Mr. Brownell informs us that it is a good one and will produce 40 barrels per day. These gentlemen were also present when the Collins well, on 632, was drilled in, and report a good gas well. After the excitement of oil and gas wells, the party started out for a hunt, but somehow their compasses did not traverse right and when the nimrods discovered their location they were about two miles from Bordell ville. They were not lost, but Smethport was. George is a good traveler, but his short legs were somewhat wearied, and Pope did not have much to boast over as regards being tired. It is remarkable that the compass will not agree with hunters when they are out in the woods.

—Yesterday we took a stroll down town to take observations of our many business houses, and found them all actively engaged in handling goods. And bright-eyed little children were busily inspecting and selecting such presents as they desired Santa Claus to send them, and how their eyes did twinkle with pleasant anticipation of the fine time they would have when old Kris filled their little stockings. Our little friend, Walter Breneman, is the busiest of the lot. When not engaged in examining goods, he is writing letters to Santa Claus, making his requests known, having used up two or three quires of paper in his extensive correspondence. But how the little ones enjoy the Christmas season, and, what pleasure it gives the older ones to cater to the wants of their darlings. We wish all a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

—A man steals a horse, sells it to an innocent party, who buys it in good faith. The owner comes, takes away the horse, and the man who has bought it is a loser to the extent of the purchase price. A knave procures a farmer's signature to a paper purporting to be an agency contract for the sale of some machine. By tearing off a part of it, the remainder with the signature becomes a promissory note. Rascal No. 1 sells it to Rascal No. 2 and the latter sues to recover. The courts decide that the farmer must pay the "innocent" holder of the fraud tainted paper. Is there anything out of joint in these cases?—*Ex*

—The Rose & Williams Co., supporting Miss Laura Alberta, gave three performances at the opera house the latter part of last week, under the auspices of the Smethport Hose. We would like to give a detailed account, but our limited space will not permit. Miss Alberta is one of the finest actresses that Smethport has ever seen. She has a strong voice, and is possessed of a pleasing figure and handsome face, which are clearly indispensable in such characters as "Iza," in the Clemenceau Case and "Lady Isabel," in East Lynne. Added to all this, Miss Alberta is well supported by the company, and we predict if she ever comes here again she will be received by large audiences.

—Last night the surveyors finished their locating survey of the Ulysses extension of the C. & P. A. R. R., winding up at Main street in this boro. The road is just 23 miles long and has several wonderful curves but no bad grades, the highest being 116 feet to the mile. From Coudersport to Gold the grade doesn't exceed 75 feet to the mile. This side it is more in some places. The line goes directly through J. H. Howles' house at Newfield and passes between C. C. Searles' house and barn on the Brookland road, two miles from Ulysses. These are about the only buildings interfered with. The clearings through the woods will be made this winter. The road may be counted a sure thing.—*Sentinel*

—Annie Davis, a daughter of Mrs. W. R. Fulmer by her former husband, of Coudersport, and a former resident of this place, while at the hospital for weak minded children in Philadelphia, was accidently pushed from her chair and fell down stairs, injuring her so badly that she died almost instantly. The remains were brought to Colegrove for burial last Friday, where her mother was present, but the shock was so severe a strain upon her that she is prostrated at the present time. Hopes are entertained however that nothing serious will occur. The accident occurred the 10th of this month, the little girl being 13 years of age. Mrs. Fulmer wishes to thank all who so kindly assisted in her sad bereavement.

—The fat controller is a hero. Monday evening he in company with two other brave young men was walking along that dark and dangerous locality between the Mechanic street bridges; suddenly startling screams for help were heard and two very frightened ladies appeared on the scene and informed the young men that "something" was pursuing them. A look of grim determination appeared on the classic features of the "fat controller," and he advanced bravely forward to make an investigation. Striking a match, he discovered the cause of the disturbance to be a large black cat, probably Holmes and Gilligans' famous "hoo-hoo." After receiving the heartfelt thanks of the distressed females, he passed on with his two friends and disappeared in the darkness.

Hear Dem Bells

The sun never rose clearer nor shone more brightly than it did last Tuesday morning, the wedding day of Mr. George A. Walker of Westfield, Pa., and Mrs. Kate Walter of this town. At 11:40 a. m. the invited guests to a large number gathered in the private parlors of the Grand Central Hotel, when in walked J. F. Breneman, brother-in-law of the bride, and Miss Julia Maire, followed by Mr. Walker and Mrs. Walter. They walked to the farther end of the room, where the Rev. J. W. Sanborn stood awaiting them, who in a very impressive manner performed the ceremony which made the happy couple man and wife. After a short prayer, congratulations of the many friends followed, when all adjourned to the dining hall, where three of the largest tables were elegantly decorated for the invited guests. When all were arranged around the tables, at a given signal the company took their seats, and were treated to a dinner worthy of a prince—turkey, venison and all the delicacies of the season—of which all partook with a zest indicating that they thoroughly enjoyed the pleasant occasion. After an hour spent in this pleasant manner, the guests adjourned to the parlors, where the time was spent by those present signing their names in a book that was presented to the bride by Mr. Sanborn as a keepsake of the happy event.

The presents were then inspected, of which we give a list: first, from groom to the bride, an elegant pair of diamond earrings; from Mr. and Mrs. Jonas Artley, of Bradford, a beautiful hand painted cake dish; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Richmond, a beautiful set of individual salt cellars with spoons; Mr. Breneman, a lovely silver tulip-leaf dish; Miss Winifred Sherman, Bradford, a silver cheese spoon; Miss Garrity, Bradford, a set of finely engraved silver teaspoons; Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Richmond, a silver collar-button box; Miss Jessie Breneman, a bon-bon dish; Mr. W. J. Milliken, Bradford, a beautiful jewel case; Misses Julia and Fannie Maire, Bradford, a hand-painted china tete-a-tete set; J. F. Rooney, a lovely salad dish; Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Mitchell, a cut glass celery dish; Miss Edith Norton, Bradford, a finely embroidered center piece for a dining table; J. M. McElroy, a beautiful back comb for the hair.

When the time came for departure, the guests all assembled in the corridor of the hotel, and as the happy couple marched through to the carriage, the rice began to fly, and it was kept up until the carriage floor was completely covered. Quite a number followed them to the depot, where another shower of rice sent them into the cars. As Mr. and Mrs. Walker boarded the train one of their friends passed a rose to Conductor Nichols and asked him to take good care of the newly wedded couple, and to pass the rose over to the next conductor who would have charge of their personal safety. The happy pair will visit New York and Philadelphia, returning to their pleasant home on Christmas eve. They left with the best wishes of all assembled. The MINER extends congratulations to the newly wedded pair, and hopes that the sunlight of happiness may always shine as brightly upon them as the sun of heaven did upon their wedding day.

GUESTS PRESENT.

Miss Edith Norton, Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Artley, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. McKean, Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Richmond, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Mitchell, A. P. Pope, J. F. Rooney, Rev. J. W. Sanborn and wife, Mrs. Frank Richmond, Miss Rena Richmond, Mrs. E. F. Richmond, Mrs. J. J. Newman, Mrs. A. E. Taylor, Miss Julia Maire, Bert Olsen, Mrs. J. F. Davis.

SOCIETY AND PERSONAL NOTES.

We would deem it a favor if those having friends visiting in this place would notify us by postal or by leaving a notice at this office.

Supt. Eckels was in Kane on Saturday.

George Backus spent Sunday in Bradford.

J. J. Newman had business in Buffalo Monday.

Andy Reilly had business in Eldred Saturday.

M. J. Fitzgerald was over from Kane on Monday.

Mrs. J. B. Sprague returned Thursday from Meadville.

Judge Morrison and wife were in Coudersport this week.

Mrs. F. L. Holmes and daughter spent Sunday in Buffalo.

Father Flood, of Eldred, visited Father Gilligan on Monday.

O. S. Garrison, of Buffalo, was in town on business yesterday.

C. A. Stebbins, of Coudersport, visited Smethport on Monday.

F. A. Lyte, of Kane, registered at the Wright House on Monday.

Rolla Edgett, Esq., was over from Bradford on Monday night.

W. J. Gifford took in the Kirmess at Bradford on Saturday night.

F. D. Gallup had business in Coudersport the early part of the week.

A. W. Colegrove was circulating among his friends on Wednesday.

Miss Dora Keenan attended the Kirmess at Bradford Saturday night.

P. H. Lavell, of Chaffee, greeted his many friends here on Monday night.

Hon. George Griffiths came over from Kane on Monday on a business mission.

D. Roark and A. E. Taylor, of Rixford, registered at the Wright House on Tuesday.

Miss Norton, of Bradford, has been visiting at the Grand Central for a few days.

Deputy Sheriff Davis braved the mud on Tuesday and drove to Eldred and vicinity.

Mrs. M. J. Geibler, of Coudersport, departed for Buffalo Monday to undergo treatment.

William Paradise left Monday morning for Coudersport, where he will remain some time.

Mrs. V. J. Coleman, of Port Allegany, came over Monday to spend the holidays visiting friends.

Leroy Holmes spent Sunday in Buffalo, returning Monday looking as if he had enjoyed his trip.

Mrs. J. J. Newman went to Buffalo on Wednesday, where she will place her son Jerome in school.

G. H. Sprague, who is taking the science course in the Buffalo College of Pharmacy, is home for the holidays.

Mr. Crawford returned from New York on Monday, where he had been to spend a few days taking in the sights.

Miss D. Ba Hafner returned home from Clarion Normal School on Tuesday night and will spend the holidays in town.

Ross Knapp, who has been in Rochester for the past two months, returned home for his holiday vacation last Saturday.

R. K. Golding returned from his western trip last week, and by his appearance we should judge that he had a pleasant time.

W. A. Ostrander returned from Buffalo Monday night, where he is taking a science course in the Buffalo College of Pharmacy.

R. C. Gleason visited Olean friends this week. Ralph is taking an active interest in the Ninth street M. E. church at that place.

L. C. Hayn, the popular cash tailor of Olean, called on us last Saturday. He is one of those genial men we are always glad to meet.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Dunn returned home on Monday, looking as though their sojourn in the sunny south had agreed with both of them.

We were pleased to meet Senator Brandon on Sunday, as he was taking his daily walk. His health is improving as rapidly as possible.

C. A. Burdick went up the line Thursday morning, towards Kane, with his pockets full of blotting pads, evidently hunting after insurance.

O. H. Goodsell spent Sunday at the hub. We are inclined to think he was hunting a partner for the great blow out of the Jour de L'an club.

Julius R. Ronnberg, representative of the *Svenska Veckobladet*, published at McKeesport, was a pleasant caller at the MINER office on Saturday.

J. M. McElroy, as master of ceremonies at the Walker-Walter wedding, discharged his duties with pleasure to the guests and honor and credit to himself.

Commodore Pierce left for Austin Monday morning where he will work at the plumbing business, and act as advance agent for the Rose-Williams troupe.

Clarence Becker returned from old Virginia Monday. He visited the battle grounds around Richmond with a view of purchasing the "Seven Pines" to stock his lumber yards.

Mrs. P. H. Ryan has been sick for about two weeks. Mr. Ryan informs us that his esteemed companion is on the gain and will soon take her place in the family circle again.

John E. Mullin has located at Knoxville, Tennessee, and has written for the MINER to be sent to him while he remains in the Sunny South. A merry Christmas and a happy New Year to him.

Christmas at St. Luke's and at All Saints Episcopal Churches

All Saint's Memorial Chapel and St. Luke's Churche will have their Sunday School Christmas festival this year on Christmas Eve, Monday, Dec., 24th.

The service at All Saints, East Smethport, will begin at 4.30 p. m., and at 5 p. m. all will sit down to a bountiful supper and a candy treat from the handsome brownie boxes which have been provided this year for all the children.

At St. Luke's service there will be choral even song and carols at 7 p. m. followed by a tree and gifts at the chapel on Fulton street.

On Christmas day there will be two celebrations of the Holy Eucharist at St. Luke's church, at 7.30 a. m. and at 10.30 a. m. At the 10.30 a. m. service the usual elaborate service of festival music will be rendered, and in part, be accompanied on the new chime of bells. There will also be services on St. Stephen's day, 26th, St. John's Day, 27th, and Holy Innocent's Day, 28th, at 7.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m.

Guy Brothers' Minstrels.

The Guy Bros. filled the opera house last night, and everybody stayed till the finish, and all went home satisfied. This company never gave a bad performance, but this season eclipses all previous ones. The Guy boys are, as usual, up to date, and what they do not know about getting up a unique and crisp program in minstrelsy is scarcely worth knowing. From the prelude to God Save the Queen every number was good, and most of them remarkably so. Nick Glynn, a new man, brought down the house with his song "How Pleasant That Would Be." There is not a weak man in the combination, and the old gentleman Guy, now over three-score-and-ten years, seems as proud as ever of his boys, who are certainly the leading black-cork artists in this part of the universe.—Richmond, Va. *Examiner*. Here Dec. 27.

Election of Officers.

The following officers were elected Dec. 13 by the W. R. C., No. 23:

President—Mrs. A. Grigsby.
Sr. Vice Pres.—Mrs. R. Kerns.
Jr. Vice Pres.—Mrs. Walker.
Chaplain—Mrs. N. Rumsey.
Conductor—Mrs. J. Pratt.
Treasurer—Mrs. S. M. Vickery.
Guard—Mrs. McDirmond.
Secretary—Mrs. R. Pierce.
Delegate to Con.—Mrs. R. Pierce.
Alternate—Mrs. N. Rumsey.

English Spavin Liniment removes all hard, soft or calloused lumps and blemishes from horses, blood spavins, curbs, splints, sweeney, ring-bone, stifles, sprains, all swollen throats, coughs, etc. Save $50 by use of one bottle. Warranted the most wonderful blemish cure ever known. Sold by A. B. Armstrong, Druggist, Smethport Pa.

AROUND THE COUNTY.

Interesting News From Various Localities Picked up by Our Regular Correspondents.

PORT ALLEGANY.

The fair and festival of Star Hose Co., which was held in their new quarters in the city building on Wednesday and Thursday last, was one of the finest social affairs ever held in this place. First, their new parlors are a delight to the eye and taste, and the committee of arrangements had been ably assisted by the citizens of the borough, and neither pains nor expense had been spared in perfecting details for a grand time. The ladies had contributed fancy work of all descriptions, which were placed on exhibition and were finally sold off to the highest bidder, and handsome sums of money realized from that source. The commissary department had been placed in the hands of a committee of ladies who knew full well that the best and only way to reach a man's heart was by the way of his stomach, and that being their object, they certainly gained a point for a surety. The tables were literally groaning under their load of delicacies, and the greater portion of our male population were groaning in spirit, because they had been enticed by their appetites into eating more than they were capable of carrying around comfortably. Notwithstanding the unpleasant weather there was a fine turnout on Wednesday evening and the festivities were continued until a late hour. On Thursday evening, however, nearly every able bodied man was on hand to show by their presence and patronage their esteem for the hose boys. At 5 p. m. the Port Allegany band turned out and rendered several pieces of music in front of the building, which quickly drew the crowd in that direction. At 9 p. m. down came a special on the C. A. P. A. R. R., bringing about sixty good looking people, consisting of the Coudersport band and orchestra and quite a delegation of their hose company. They were met at the depot by a delegation from the Star Hose Co., headed by the Port Allegany band. The two bands were then consolidated and the line of march taken for the city building, the bands pouring forth the soul stirring strains of the American Cadet March, which was delightfully rendered and could have been heard for miles. After a brief reception at the hose rooms, the procession was headed for the opera house, and no sooner had the Coudersport orchestra taken their position than the floor was filled with merry dancers, whose flying feet kept time with the music through the entire night, and thus ended the opening of the Star hose company's beautiful rooms. Your correspondent was told that the boys cleared about $200 from all sources. Among the ladies, who might feel slighted should their names not appear in this article, but who are certainly entitled to much credit, we might mention Mrs. N. R. Bard, Mrs. M. A. Lillibridge, Mrs. L. C. Horton, Mrs. W. M. Holmes, Mrs. C. W. Wagner, Mrs. M. L. Hall, while many others whose names we do not recall, are entitled to a share of the credit.

While in town Thursday night last, the Coudersport band rendered several beautiful selections and in a most pleasing manner, too. Both time, expression and harmony were perfect, and if they improve in the coming six months as much as they have in the past six, we predict there will be nothing in this part of the state to compare with them. The baritone solo, "Sweet Genevieve," as rendered by Mr. Frank Rurr, was heartily encored and is worthy of mention. This band is being instructed by that able musician familiarly known as Pap Allen, who has no equal in that line.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Keeney are mourning the sudden demise of their only son, Josie, aged two years, which occurred on Tuesday afternoon of last week. Josie was a remarkably bright and loving little fellow, the pride of his parents' hearts, and the blow falls heavily upon them. The funeral services were held at the residence on Thursday p. m., the Rev. S. J. Dear officiating, and the burial was in the village cemetery. The afflicted family have the sympathy of all in their sorrow.

Thomas Harrington, of Coudersport, was greeting friends and acquaintances in town last Tuesday. Tom was treated to a glimpse of the Star Hose Company's new rooms in the boro building, and expressed himself delighted with them.

Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Battle spent Sunday in Coudersport, being called there by the illness of their daughter, Mrs. C. L. Young, whom they found suffering with a severe attack of the quinsy.

M. A. Lillibridge made a business visit to Galeton last week, and predicts a great future for that fast growing village.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hooker were in Coudersport over Sunday, the guests of their daughter, Mrs. C. F. Gallup.

Rev. P. Cosgrove, of Sartwell, was in town Friday and Saturday last, a guest at Mr. P. Kidd y's residence.

Alec Nelson, proprietor of the Olean Steam Laundry, had business in Port Allegany last Saturday.

Mr. Luman Claire, of Hebron, spent Sunday with friends in this village.

ORMSBY.

A. P. Pope, Anson Burdick and George Brownell came up from Smethport Monday with dogs and guns, ostensibly looking for game, but it was rumored that they intended to shoot James McKean's oil well. It has been learned later that the hunters above mentioned lost themselves, and had to secure a native guide to pilot them to civilization. They are urged to publish the story of their travels, and we predict a large sale.

W. R. Fritz, a driller of this place, sustained a serious dislocation of the ankle joint while working at the sand-line in his rig last Saturday. He was caught in the rope and pulled against a tool wrench. Dr. J. C. Brown is attending him.

Drilling will be stopped here for a short time, and most of the men will leave for their homes this week. It is hoped the shut down will be only temporary, as it will be very quiet here this winter if no drilling is done.

It is stated on good authority that there will be a gas line laid soon from this field to Bradford. There are some immense gas wells in this field.

Devonian Oil Co.'s well, No. 14, on the Bingham lands, was drilled into the Bradford sand Tuesday, and is going to be a big gas well.

The excursion to Bradford Saturday evening took many of our citizens to the "Kirmess," and all report an excellent entertainment.

We wish some one would send us a dog, as there are quantities of rabbits here and no dog to get them. Not particular as to color.

We have organized a Sunday school here, with Mr. F. J. Robinson as superintendent, and it starts off with a large membership.

The Devonian Oil Co. paid their men Monday, and consequently many of the boys are going to town to get supplies.

The McKean & Baker well, drilled by John Smith, was shot Monday, and will make a good producing well.

Jas. A. McKean was up from Smethport Monday. We are all for him to a man for county treasurer.

Chas. Carson is moving his house, and expects to have a house warming in the shape of a dance soon.

O'Connell & Ward, our enterprising grocers, have just received a large stock of holiday goods.

Miss Marie Dilger, of Simpson, spent Sunday with her aunt, Mrs. Chas. Carson.

Mrs. J. M. Pitcher and sister, Miss Mollie Ormsby, were in Bradford Tuesday.

McKean Bros.' saw mill has started again, after a month's idleness.

J. W. Seymour, of Morrisons, spent Sunday with his family here.

J. E. Evans has completed the addition to his house.

Ed. Birch is able to be out, after a week's illness.

W. F. Ormsby spent Monday in Bradford.

FARMER'S VALLEY.

Miss Lather Swort, who has been visiting her grandparents at Whitesville, N. Y., for the past three weeks, returned to her home in this place on Wednesday of last week.

B. A. Satterlee, who has been stopping in this place for the past year, was called to his home in Erie on Wednesday last because of the serious illness of his mother.

Misses Edith Mosier and Winnifred Raeder, who have been attending school at Lock Haven, are home for the holidays.

W. H. Swort, who was so unfortunate as to cut the end of his thumb off, is doing as well as can be expected.

Postmaster Tyler, who was quite ill for a few days last week, is now attending to business in his office as usual.

Fred Brownell, with his beautiful team, was seen to drive through this place on Tuesday morning last.

F. G. Pelton, of Crosby, spent Saturday and Sunday of last week with friends in this place.

Izara Tyler, who has been on the sick list for the past two weeks, is said to be on the gain.

M. W. Hemlein made a trip to Ormsby on business on Wednesday of last week.

Mrs. John Hafner made Smethport a short visit on Monday last.

N. F. Ferris had business in Smethport on Monday last.

COLEGROVE.

The young men of Colegrove will give another social dance on Friday evening, the 21st, at Hansen's hall. A good time is guaranteed to all.

Miss Bessie Heinemann is expected home on Saturday from the convent at Harrisburg for the holidays.

Mrs. Chambers, of Smethport, visited her friend, Mrs. J. Berryman, of this place on Wednesday.

Mr. D. Crombie, who has been visiting Mike Scanlon, has returned to his home in Brooklyn.

Rev. Halliwell, of Smethport, visited this place on business the latter part of last week.

Miss Maybel Burdick, who is attending school at Clarion, is home for the holidays.

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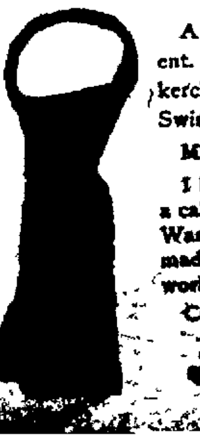

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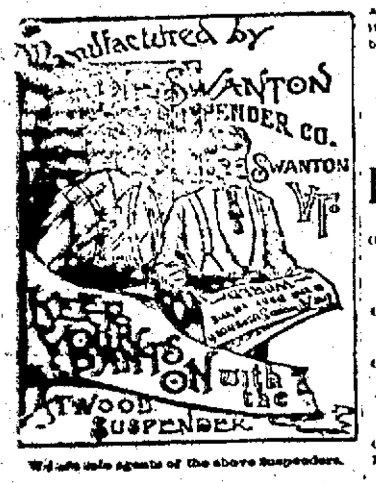

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Pleasure finds it fresh and free;
He who frowns or looks awry, sir,
Faith, a witless wight is he.

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Greets the hanging of the bough!
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—Century.

THE ELECTION RETURNS.

They Make the Busiest Night of the Year in a Newspaper Office.

There is one night in every year in every great newspaper office when work is done that is the least understood of all that goes on in the making of a daily paper, one night when the highest state of fever attends the excitement and strain of the most intense work that falls to the lot of any men, except soldiers in war. That is election night. That is the night when a few men sit down at 6 o'clock before virgin sheets of paper, with the knowledge that before 2 o'clock the next morning they must cover those sheets with the election returns of a nation, digesting mountains of figures and apprising the public of the results in the most condensed forms, weeks in advance of the official announcements, as sparks might be counted while they fly from the shapeless iron on a blacksmith's anvil. And these calculations must stand the test of comparison with those which the rival newspapers, working without collaboration, as eager competitors, will publish at the same moment.

The election figures come in driblets and atoms and must be put together as the Florentines make their mosaics. Some of it, we shall see, is plucked from the very air—as a magician seems to collect coins in a borrowed hat—be gotten of nothing, but put down beside the genuine returns with equal confidence and, [illegible] accuracy.

Ah, but it is a work to try cool heads and [illegible] nerves. I am quite certain no other men in the world include such a night of tension and excitement, periodically, as a fixed part of a work-aday existence. No other men, regularly once a year, feel themselves so truly in the focus of an intense public interest, manifesting itself in so many ways.—Scribner's.

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For a Sweet Breath.

Don't expect to have clean teeth or a sweet breath while there is a tinge of white on the tongue. It is an unmistakable evidence of indigestion. Drink sour lemonade, eat ripe fruit and green vegetables for purgatives, exercise freely, use plenty of water internally and externally, and keep up the treatment until the mouth is clean, healthy and red. Various things are suggested to counteract an unpleasant breath resulting from a bad tooth, wine or garlic scented dishes. Cinnamon, mint, creams, orris root, cloves, mastic resin and spruce gum will disguise some odors. Ten drops of tincture of myrrh in a glass of water will sweeten and refresh the mouth. A teaspoonful of spirits of camphor or peppermint in the same gargle is among the very best [illegible], and a few drops of myrrh and camphor in the water are recommended in case of cold, throat trouble or any slight indisposition which may affect the breath.—Philadelphia Times.

A Peculiar Patent.

Queen Mary's gratitude took a very odd form in the case of the Earl of Sussex. He was a valetudinarian who had a great fear of uncovering his head, and considering the colds he had dreaded she spected no person. He petitioned Queen Mary for leave to wear his nightcap in her royal presence.

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Age and Sex In Disease.

There are three periods in adult life when one seems more liable to go wrong than at other times. The one is at 26 years of age, when thin people tend to become fat and fat people thin. The next is between 45 and 50, when the appetite fails, nervous diseases appear, when one no longer likes to stoop much and begins to prefer riding to walking, and the next is at 61, when the same phenomena appear more markedly. With regard to the sexual distribution of diseases, one may say that ordinary kidney, lung and brain diseases, accidents of all sorts, scarlet fever and late consumption are most prevalent among males, and cancer, diphtheria, typhoid fever and early consumption among females. The most distressing cause of nerve breakdown among unmarried women is that sudden change of circumstances that ensues when a father dies who, through carelessness or improvidence, has neglected to make adequate provision for his unmarried daughters.—Leisure Hour.

Her Handicap.

Mr. Hopperly—What? You only 18, Madge? You look older than that.

Madge—I know it. But I can't tell that I'm 21, can I, when my big sister is sticking at that age and [illegible]

A Western Wonder.

Gila county, A. T., has located within its borders a natural bridge which is rightly considered as one of the greatest natural curiosities in the United States. It spans Pine creek at a height of about 200 feet from the water surface. The bridge is of limestone formation, and the inside of the great arch, which has a span of 247½ feet, is smoothly worn by the water, which in olden times filled Pine creek so full that they were gorged in their passage under the arch. The bridge is almost exactly 400 feet wide at the top and nearly 1,000 feet in length across the canyon, the 200 foot measurements mentioned above being for the under side of the arch. At the apex of the arch the formation is only about 6 feet in thickness, and through this there is a hole large enough to admit the body of a man, and through which one may look down into the crystal depth below. In the immediate vicinity of the bridge are numerous caverns of small size, some of which have never been explored. Leading geologists are of the opinion that the whole of Pine creek was once an immense cavern, and that the bridge described above is all that now remains of what was formerly the roof.—St. Louis Republic.

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His One Occupation.

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Amy—No.

Jack—May I smoke?

Amy—No.

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Amy—No.

Jack—What may I do?

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Northern Africa is attracting more attention than at any other time since it was the seat of empires. The next volume of HARPER'S MAGAZINE will contain four illustrated articles on this region, and three of them will depict the present life there. Julian Ralph will prepare for the MAGAZINE a series of eight stories, depicting typical phases of "Chinese Life and Manners." Besides the long stories, there will begin in the January Number the first chapters of "A Three-Part Novelette," by Richard Harding Davis—the longest work yet attempted by this writer. Complete short stories by popular writers will continue to be a feature of the MAGAZINE.

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During 1895 every vital question will be discussed with vigor and without prejudice in the editorial columns, and also in special articles by the highest authority in each department. Portraits of the men and women who are making history, and powerful and caustic political cartoons, will continue to be characteristic features. This Busy World, with its keen and kindly comments on the lesser doings of the day, will remain a regular department.

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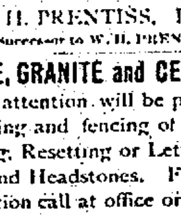

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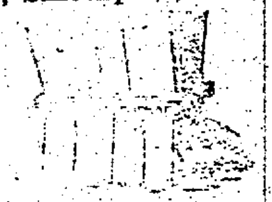

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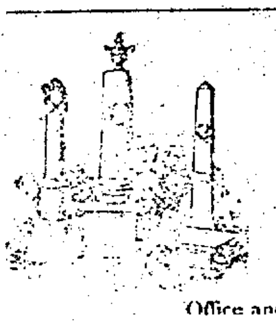

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TRAVELER'S GUIDE.

TIME TABLE WESTERN NEW YORK & PENNSYLVANIA

In effect Jan. 6, 1894.

Trains leave Smethport for Port Allegany, Olean, Eldred, Bradford, Rochester and Buffalo as follows:

BUFFALO EXPRESS .... 9:10 A. M.
BUFFALO MAIL .... 2:45 P. M.

Train leaving Smethport at 2:45 p. m. connects at Olean with River Division for Allegany, Salamanca, Oil City and Pittsburg.

For Clermont, Johnsonburg, and points south:

CLERMONT MAIL .... 7:15 A. M.
CLERMONT ACCOMMOD'N .... 12:50 P. M.
LOCAL .... 7:20 P. M.

Clermont Mail connects through to Johnsonburg.

Get Time Tables giving full information from A. E. WORMER, Ticket Agent,
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J. A. FELLOWS, Gen. Pass'r & Tk. Agt.
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PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

PHILADELPHIA & ERIE DIVISION TIME TABLE, in effect Nov. 25th, 1894.

TRAINS LEAVE EMPORIUM JUNCTION EASTWARD.

8:15 a. m.—Train 4, daily except Sunday, for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 6:50 p. m., New York 9:30 p. m., Baltimore 6:45 p. m., Washington 7:50 p. m. Pullman Parlor car through from Williamsport and passenger coaches from Kane to Philadelphia.

3:00 p. m.—Train 6, daily except Sunday, for Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 4:30 a. m., New York 7:31 a. m., Pullman sleeping cars from Harrisburg to Philadelphia and New York. Philadelphia passengers can remain in sleeper undisturbed until 7:30 a. m.

9:50 p. m.—Train 4, daily for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations arriving at Philadelphia 6:52 a. m., New York 9:33 a. m., 10:31 a. m. Sundays, Baltimore 6:20 a. m., Washington 7:40 a. m. Pullman sleeping cars from Erie and Williamsport to Philadelphia and passenger cars from Erie to Philadelphia, and Williamsport to Baltimore. Passengers in sleeper for Baltimore and Washington will be transferred into Washington sleeper at Harrisburg.

WESTWARD.

5:00 a. m.—Train 1, daily except Sunday for Ridgway, DuBois, Clermont and intermediate stations, leave Ridgway 3:00 p. m. for Erie.

10:25 a. m.—Train 3, daily for Erie and intermediate stations.

7:05 p. m.—Train 11 daily except Sunday Kane and intermediate stations.

THROUGH TRAINS for EMPORIUM JUNCTION FROM THE EAST AND SOUTH.

Train 1 leaves Renovo 6:25 a. m., daily except Sunday, arriving at Emporium Jn. 8:30 a. m. Train 11 leaves Philadelphia 8:50 a. m., Washington 7:50 a. m., Baltimore 8:55 a. m., Wilkesbarre 10:15 a. m., daily except Sunday, arriving at Emporium Junction 7:05 p. m. with Pullman Parlor car from Philadelphia to Williamsport and passenger coaches to Kane. Train 3, leaves New York 8:00 p. m., Philadelphia 11:20 p. m., Washington 10:40 p. m., Baltimore 11:50 p. m., daily arriving at Emporium Junc. 10:25 a. m., with Pullman Palace sleeping cars from Philadelphia to Erie and from Washington and Baltimore to Williamsport and passenger coaches from Philadelphia to Erie.

JOHNSONBURG RAILROAD.

Daily except Sunday.

NORTH A. M. Lv.	STATIONS.	SOUTH Ar. A. M.
9 30	Ridgway	12 00
9 46	Johnsonburg	11 44
10 02	Glen Hazel	11 25
10 18	Straight	11 15
10 [illegible]	Instanter	11 10
10 2[illegible]	Smith's Run	11 05
10 32	Woodvale	10 56
10 40	Clermont	10 40

Connections are made with train 1, leaving Johnsonburg at 3:10 p. m. for Erie and intermediate points, arriving at Erie at 8:00 p. m., also at Ridgway with train 6, leaving Ridgway at 1:45 p. m. for Philadelphia, New York, Baltimore and Washington.

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7:45 a. m.—Buffalo & Rochester Express—For Salamanca, Ellicottville, Springville, Golden, Buffalo, Machias, Gainesville, Silver Springs, Warsaw, LeRoy and Rochester.

2:00 p. m.—Mail—For Salamanca, Ellicottville, Springville, Golden, Buffalo, E. Aurora, Gainesville, Silver Springs, Warsaw, LeRoy and Rochester.

5:10 p. m.—Buffalo Express—Daily. For Limestone, Carrollton, Salamanca, Ellicottville, Springville, Golden and Buffalo.

LEAVE MT. JEWETT—SOUTH BOUND.

8:02 a. m.—Accommodation—For Johnsonburgh Ridgway, Brockwayville, DuBois and Punxsutawney.

2:57 p. m.—Mail—For Johnsonburg, Ridgway Brockwayville, DuBois and Punxsutawney.

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BUFFALO & SUSQUEHANNA R. R.

TIME TABLE.

Took effect Monday, Nov 25th, 1894.

1 a m	3 p m	5 p m	STATIONS.	2 a m	4 p m	10 p m
			Ar. Dp.			
9 [illegible]	[illegible]	7 3[illegible]	Keating		12 45	7 30
[illegible]	[illegible]	7 [illegible]	Cowley Junc.		[illegible]	8 06
[illegible]	[illegible]	7 0[illegible]	Austin	[illegible]	1 15	8 25
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Costello	[illegible]	1 23	
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Wharton	[illegible]	1 35	
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Brooks	[illegible]	1 44	
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Hull	7 17	1 50	
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Cross Fork Jc.	7 30	2 0[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Germania	[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Galeton	[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Ansonia	[illegible]	3 45	
a. m.	p. m.	p. m.	Dp. Ar.	a. m.	p. m.	
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Cross Fork Br	a m	[illegible]	p. m.
7 [illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Cross F'k Jc	[illegible]	3 2[illegible]	[illegible]
6 [illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Cross F'k	[illegible]	[illegible]	6 3[illegible]

Tr 9 leaves Keating 9:15 a.m. arr Austin 10:00
Tr 7 leaves Austin 1.30 p.m. arr Keating 2:15
Tr 8 leaves Keating 2:30 p.m. arr Austin 3:20

H. Hutchinson, Train Master. C. W. Goodyear, Gen'l Manager.

COUDERSPORT & PORT ALLEGANY Railroad Time Table, takes effect Monday, Dec. 18, 1893.

AR. EASTW'D. A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	STATIONS.	LV WESTW'D A.M.	P.M.	P.M.
10.54	8.12	1.00	Coudersport	6.20	1.20	5.10
10.50	8.07	12.56	Pine Creek Jc.	6.24	1.24	5.12
10.35	7.56	12.46	Hammond	6.34	1.34	5.24
10.30	7.54	12.44	Fish Basket	6.36	1.36	5.26
10.47	7.51	12.50	Olmsted	6.40	1.42	5.32
10.41	7.50	12.45	Mina	6.44	1.47	5.37
10.32	7.44	12.38	Knowlton	6.50	1.56	5.46
10.27	7.40	12.32	Roulette	6.55	2.02	5.52
10.14	7.32	12.23	Burtville	9.06	2.11	7.00
10.06	7.25	12.16	Coleman	9.11	2.20	6.17
10.00	7.20	12.11	Port Allegany	9.15	2.25	6.15

PINE CREEK DIVISION.

1.08 p m	6 15 a m	ar Coudersport a'm	7.10 p m	2.45
1.11	6 18	Pine Creek Junction	7.07	2.40
1.17	6.21	Fair Grounds	7 06	2.40
1.20	6 27	Ladona	6 30	2.30
1.25	6.25	Sweden Valley	6 50	2.30

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TIME TABLE IN EFFECT DEC. 16, 1894.

WESTWARD p. m.	p. m.	a. m.	STATIONS.	EASTWARD a. m.	a. m.	p. m.
7 40		9 55	ar. Bradford...lv	7 2[illegible]		[illegible]
6 55		9 12	Kinzua Junct'n	8 0[illegible]		[illegible]
6 45		9 05	New City	8 1[illegible]		[illegible]
6 1[illegible]		8 3[illegible]	Rixford	8 [illegible]		[illegible]
6 32		9 4[illegible]	Aiken	[illegible]		[illegible]
6 4[illegible]		9 0[illegible]	Davis	[illegible]		[illegible]
6 2[illegible]		8 3[illegible]	Simpson	[illegible]		[illegible]
6 2[illegible]		8 40	Ormsby	[illegible]		[illegible]
5 50		8 45	Smethport	[illegible]		[illegible]
			Mt. Jewett			[illegible]
			Kane			[illegible]
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